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## Water district GM: rates ‘should’ go down, then increase, after Cal Am takeover

By KELLY NIX

‘AFFORDABLE WATER’ was a promise made over and over again by group Public Water Now and its high-profile supporters as they tried to convince Monterey Peninsula voters in 2018 to support a government takeover of California American Water.

The slogan — which ended up in voter materials and on campaign signs peppered all over the Peninsula — helped persuade the electorate to pass the takeover ballot measure in 2018.

A little more than four years later, the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District offered Cal Am \$449 million for its system. Cal Am, which says it’s worth more than \$1 billion, formally rejected the offer April 28, likely leading to an eminent domain battle.

### ‘Significant reductions’

Acquiring Cal Am, Public Water Now said during the run-up to the election, would ensure its “cost effectiveness,” among other things. Many elected officials signed on to the group’s promise that Peninsula customers would see lower rates with a system operated by the water district and Cal Am out of the picture.

“Public ownership is our only way to lower our costs,” Measure J proponents, including former Monterey Mayor Clyde Roberson and Dennis Mar, then-president of the League of Women Voters of Monterey County, said in a 2018 voter guide. “Eighty-seven percent of the people in the United States get their water from public agencies for good reason.”

“Public Water is more affordable,” a Public Water Now flier for Measure J said. The group never defined “affordable,” in the context of Peninsula water rates.

The Peninsula “would save \$19 million in profit and taxes to cover the purchase” of acquiring Cal Am “and

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## City budget grows 33 percent in one year

By MARY SCHLEY

IT WAS just a year ago that the city’s proposed annual budget exceeded \$30 million for the first time. Now, despite declines in some revenue streams, the proposed 2023-2024 spending plan will come in above \$40 million, according to a presentation to the council May 2. More than a quarter of that will be used for capital projects, and more than \$10.3 million will come not from income, but from savings accrued during the past few years.

Assistant city administrator Maxine Gullo presented the draft budget, which must be approved before the next fiscal year begins July 1. It anticipates bringing in \$30,509,352 in revenues — largely from property, sales and hotel taxes — and spending \$26.3 million on general operations, mostly salaries and benefits, as well as \$528,044 on debt, more than \$3 million on pension liability, \$90,000 on workers compensation, and an unprecedented \$10.9 million on capital improvements.

### Savings account

“The budget requires the use of \$10.3 million in prior years’ savings in order to balance, unless additional reductions are made,” she said.

While the plan anticipates revenues will grow in 2023-2024, even as tax receipts for hotel stays, in particular, have recently slumped for the first time since the height of the pandemic, Gullo said costs are expected to increase as well, particularly

for staffing, pensions and general operating costs, as well as “a robust capital improvement plan” that includes dozens of projects, many of which are being carried over from previous years.

According to the draft budget, property taxes will increase by around \$360,000, to \$8,493,132, over the 2022-2023 estimate, marking a slowing from the steep

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Winter storms ravaged much of the beach, including wrecking several stairways. Funds from the proposed 2023-2024 budget will be used to fix them.

## COUNCIL SPLITS OVER LOCAL CONTROL OF HOUSING

By MARY SCHLEY

A SYMBOLIC show of support for a grassroots group seeking to fight the state’s new housing mandates caused a minor dustup at the city council meeting Tuesday.

Asked to “adopt resolution 2023-048 expressing support for actions to further strengthen local democracy, authority and control as related to local zoning and housing issues,” as part of the May 2 consent agenda, councilman Jeff Baron pulled the item in order to object.

The request for support was made by a grassroots group, California Cities for Local Control, founded two years ago by a city council member from Torrance “to spread awareness and enlist support to ensure that cities can continue to manage their own land use and zoning issues, and not allow the State Legislature to mandate changes to our cities that will remove local control and be detrimental to our communities.”

Having convinced more than 80 California cities to adopt a resolution to preserve local control over zoning and land uses, the group sent the proposal to Carmel, where city administrator Chip Rerig decided to take it to the city council.

“The city council of the City of Carmel-by-the-Sea feels strongly that our local government is best able to assess the needs of our community and objects to the

proliferation of state legislation that deprives us of that ability,” the proposed resolution from California Cities for Local Control says.

Further, it says the council opposes the state’s practice of “continually proposing and passing multitudes of bills that directly impact and interfere with the ability of cities to control their own destiny through use of the zoning authority that has been granted to them.”

### Shirking duties

But Baron said approving the resolution would be tantamount to being against more housing in town. The latest mandate from the state says Carmel has to figure out how to accommodate 349 new units over the next eight years — with more to come after that. Revision of the housing section of the general plan is underway and is being led by a committee of councilman Bobby Richards and councilwoman Karen Ferlito.

“The state, along with the rest of the country, is experiencing a very severe

housing shortage, and I know communities want to stay the same, but I also know communities in the state need to provide housing for the people who live here,” Baron said.

“This unwillingness of communities to build housing

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### 50 years of Cal Am’s Skyrocketing costs is enough!

California American Water (Cal Am) has owned and mismanaged the Monterey Peninsula’s water system for over 50 years. Their corporate profit-driven approach has raised our water costs 88% over the past 2 years and we still have no new water supply. Where will it stop?

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- According to Food & Water Watch, the Peninsula now has the most expensive water in the country. This was based on their 2015-2017 studies looking at the 500 largest U.S. water systems. Costs were based on a typical household usage of 60,000 gallons annually (200 monthly).
- The average cost of publicly owned water in the U.S. is \$315 a year. Compare that to \$1,202 a year, the average cost on the Monterey Peninsula. That’s four times the cost of publicly owned water.

**How Cal Am has failed us**

- Cal Am is currently charging us \$64 million for water we don’t use! After they asked us to conserve water, Cal Am increased our efforts with increased costs to make up for their lost revenue.
- Cal Am has produced no new water, but they have charged us \$34 million for three water projects and \$152 million to tear down the San Clemente Dam.
- Cal Am’s deal project faces serious challenges. They have no water rights to Monterey groundwater, making litigation all but certain. Pure Water Monterey’s proposed water project is an unproven technology, at half the cost. Later, a regional deal is the best option.

**Public water is more affordable**

- Currently 27% of the people in the U.S. receive their water from public agencies for good reason. It provides local control and lower costs. We too can achieve affordable, sustainable water for our community. Now is the time to buy out Cal Am and replace them with public ownership.

**Vote YES on Measure J...there’s NO RISK!**

- Once the initiative is passed, the first step would be a feasibility study conducted and paid for by MPWMD. This will give us the facts on whether buying Cal Am is in the public interest — and the study costs is nothing.

**Who will replace Cal Am?**

- The Monterey Peninsula Water Management District would replace Cal Am. Created in 1978 to find new water solutions, the MPWMD is a local public agency with authority to purchase Cal Am.
- Over the past 25 years MPWMD has developed five new water projects to provide us over 1,000 acre feet of new water. Cal Am has completed no new water projects in 50 years.

**YES, We can afford to buy Cal Am**

- You’ll hear wildly inflated claims from Cal Am about their value. They typically claim they are worth 2 to 3 times their selling price. Then argue that we can’t afford to buy them. They neglect to mention we would save \$19 million in profit and taxes to cover the purchase, and reduce water costs.
- The purchase would be financed with a low interest bond that would be repaid on our water bills. No property taxes are involved. All of this would be verified in the required feasibility study.
- In the past 25 years, over 400 U.S. communities have succeeded at public buyouts of water utility corporations. In 2008 Felton bought their system from Cal Am for \$13 million. Cal Am initially asked for an inflated \$46 million. In the 10 years since the buyout, Felton’s water costs have gone up only 39%, while our costs under Cal Am have gone up an outrageous 170%.
- Cal Am’s business claim that our water would be more expensive under public ownership were true, why would they oppose the feasibility study to get the facts?

**Who is Public Water Now?**

- Public Water Now is a local nonprofit volunteer organization. It’s made up of citizens like you who are tired of Cal Am’s monopoly control and price gouging. We are dedicated to achieving an affordable and sustainable water solution for the Monterey Peninsula.

With the promise that government-run water systems are “more affordable,” Public Water Now convinced the electorate to approve a takeover of private company Cal Am, “if feasible,” in 2018.

## Longtime chaplain at CHOMP says he’s true beneficiary of his work

By KELLY NIX

THE WAY Rougeau McWhorter views it, he’s the true beneficiary of his volunteer work at Community Hospital of the Monterey Peninsula. For 32 years, the 76-year-old chaplain has comforted patients and grieving families.

“I feel privileged to do this,” McWhorter told The Pine Cone this week.

The Del Rey Oaks resident is part of Community Hospital of the Monterey Peninsula’s Spiritual Care Services department, which is composed of religious leaders of many faiths. McWhorter, however, has been volunteering at the hospital longer than all but one other person and is a founding member of the program.

McWhorter’s duties often have him spending

time with lonely patients who don’t get visits from friends and family, but he’s glad to meet with anyone recovering in the hospital. He listens, prays for and with them, quotes scripture and lends an empathetic ear to make their hospital stays a little brighter.

“I introduce myself and generally ask them how long they’ve been there to get the conversation started,” McWhorter explained. “It’s just sharing my time with those who are in need.”

### ‘Wonderful conversation’

He also spends time with grieving families who have lost loved ones.

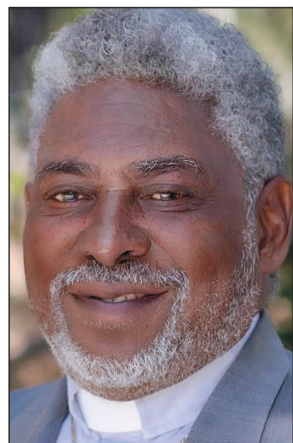
“You can’t console them,” he said. “The only thing you can do is be with them and let them know someone is there to care for them — give

them your presence and your love.”

Though he’s met an untold number of patients in the more than three decades he’s volunteered at the hospital, McWhorter said one woman, whom he referred to as Lady J, stands out because she initially rebuffed his visit.

“I walked into her room wearing my clergy attire and introduced myself,” he said. “She looked up at me and said, ‘I’m not religious, so you can just leave.’ And I said, ‘That’s cool, because I’m not religious, either.’”

That got the attention of Lady J, who called him back into the room. Not only did they have what McWhorter said was a “wonderful conversation,” he said the woman, during one of his



Rougeau McWhorter

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# Sandy Claws

By Lisa Crawford Watson

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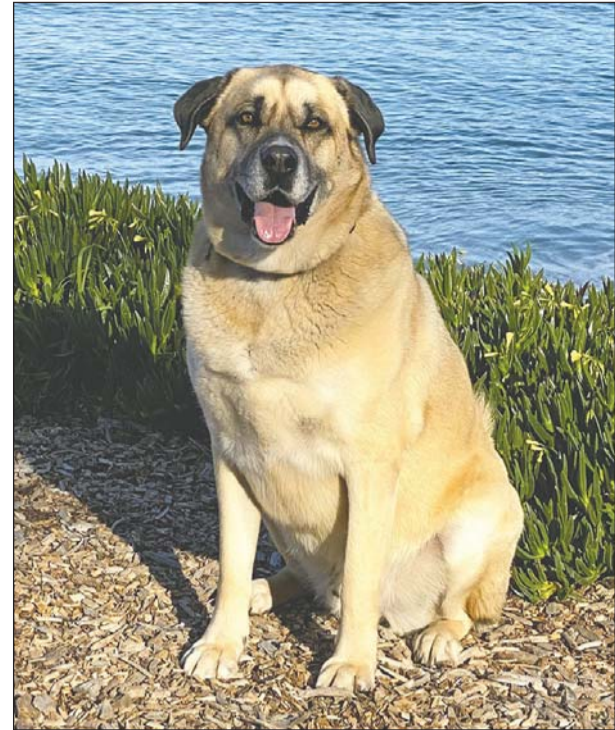
SHE HAD been looking for the right dog for a year, mostly online, by scrolling through pictures of possible pets. Right around Christmas, when she was studying local shelter sites, there he was, a 1-year-old Anatolian shepherd. One glance at his picture and she knew she had to have him.

"When I took him into a side yard at the shelter to get acquainted, he was puppy-level rambunctious," she said. "But when I turned to go back inside, he sat and waited for me to go in first. I thought that was fabulous. He was so cute, so soft, so sweet and so mine."

Another family was looking at the little shepherd, planning to give him to their young child for Christmas. As much as she loved this dog, she knew she couldn't rob a child of a Christmas puppy. So, she gave them a day to decide.

The next day, she returned to the shelter and claimed her dog. She named him Nico, reminiscent of a childhood pet she'd loved.

Nico, now 5, lives in Salinas but loves to go to the seashore, typically Del Monte Beach, at least once a week. He's not interested in swimming, but he'll wade out to where he can stand and enjoy the rhythm of the cold water.



"Nico also loves to run and play in the sand and smell the sea," his person said. "He will play with other dogs, but if they're not interested, he doesn't press it and goes off on his own."

Nico's person was aware when she got him that he'd get pretty big, and people might assume he's scary.

"But he's a super sweet dog," she said. "He's well trained and very responsive to me, unless there's a squirrel. Actually, even then, I can rein him in."

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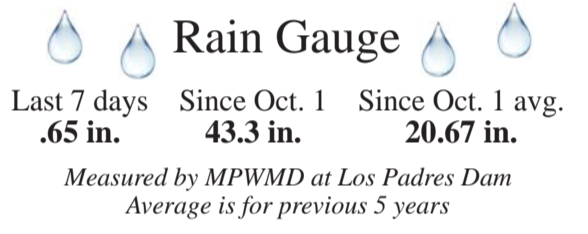
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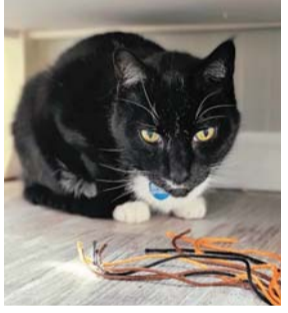
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# REP. PANETTA URGES FEDERAL PROGRAM TO HELP UKRAINE CHILDREN

By KELLY NIX

REP. JIMMY Panetta is urging the Biden administration to create a humanitarian program for about 300 Ukrainian orphans who were in the process of being adopted by U.S. families when Russia invaded Ukraine.

Panetta said that about 200 American families were trying to adopt roughly 300 orphans from Ukraine when war broke out, prompting officials in that country to suspend their international adoption programs.

"I have been working with our Department of State and our Ukrainian allies to create a humanitarian policy for these orphans in order to provide them a way to get to the United States to be with caring families who they know and who have been extensively vetted," Panetta told The Pine Cone Thursday morning. "Russia's invasion of Ukraine has resulted in immense tragedy and humanitarian need, and in taking this step, in partnership with

Ukraine, the United States can ensure that these children have stable, secure homes."

An April 28 letter authored by Panetta and fellow Democratic Rep. Joe Morelle of New York and signed by a bipartisan group of 96 other congressional members asks Homeland Security Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas and Secretary of State Antony Blinken to create a program that allows child orphans from Ukraine to stay in the United States with American families for the "duration of the war."

### Background checks

"Such action would allow established prospective adoptive parents who had completed a background security check, were formally in the process of adopting an orphaned child from Ukraine and had a documented relationship with that child to initiate a case with DHS and sponsor the child," Panetta told Mayorkas and Blinken.

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## Leon Panetta to speak at Rotary event

PINE CONE STAFF REPORT

FORMER SECRETARY of Defense Leon Panetta will address local Rotary clubs at a May 11 event at Spanish Bay organized by the Carmel-by-the-Sea club, and with some space still available, the public is invited.

The event will begin with a welcome and invocation at noon, followed by lunch. Panetta, who also served as CIA director and White House Chief of Staff, will speak from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m.

Panetta — who became part of a national controversy when he signed a letter just before the 2020 presidential election claiming Hunter Biden's laptop

had "all the classic earmarks of a Russian information operation"— says he will discuss how President Joe Biden and Congress could "promote unity in a divided country, how we can help as citizens, as well as how the issues of the day affect the United States as a world leader."

He'll also have time to answer some questions, the event's organizers said.

The cost is \$50 per person, and lunch will take place in the main ballroom at the Inn at Spanish Bay in Pebble Beach.

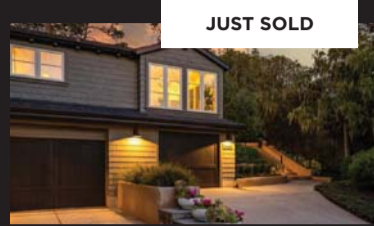
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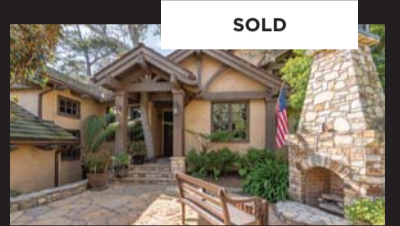
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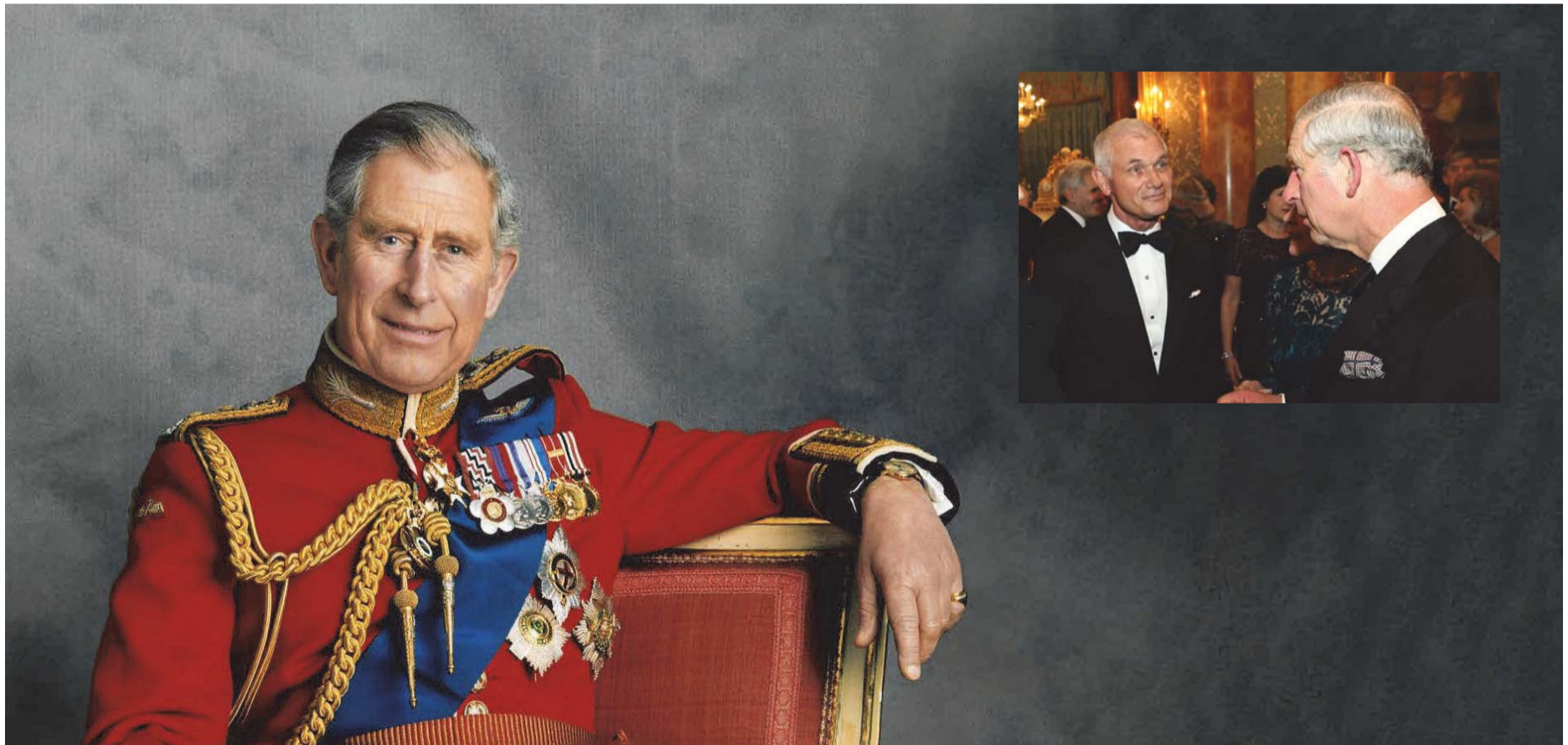


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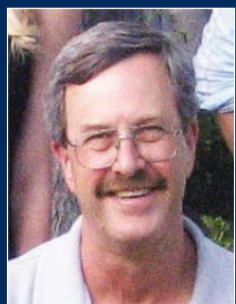
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## Police & Sheriff's Log

### In advertent weight loss reported

HERE'S A look at some of the significant calls logged by the Carmel-by-the-Sea Police Department and the Monterey County Sheriff's Office last week. This week's log was compiled by Mary Schley.

#### SUNDAY, APRIL 16

**Big Sur:** Suspicious allegations on Coast Road were documented.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** iPhone turned in that was found on Carmel Valley Road.

**Pacific Grove:** Unknown person(s) attempted to use a victim's credit card.

**Pacific Grove:** A report of theft of services on Highway 1 was generated.

**Carmel Valley:** Civil dispute between neighbors on Carmel Valley Road.

**Carmel Valley:** Welfare check on an elderly couple on Garzas Road.

#### MONDAY, APRIL 17

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Ticket sign-off after being cited by CHP.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Lost iPad in the residential area.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Theft reported at Camino Real and Eighth.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Responded to a welfare and barking dog complaint. Upon arrival, no dog was barking and no one was home. A courtesy notice was left at the door. Later, the owner of the residence contacted the department with information.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Report taken for a found governmental ID card at Carmel Beach.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Report taken for a found wallet at Carmel Beach. Owner was notified and wallet was returned to its rightful owner.

**Big Sur:** An incident of sexual battery was reported on Highway 1.

**Pacific Grove:** At about 1334 hours, a Blohm Avenue resident called the station to report being defrauded by check. The investigation is ongoing.

**Pacific Grove:** Juvenile issue. Report taken for informational purposes only.

**Pebble Beach:** Stevenson Drive resident reported internet fraud via phone hack, possibly when charging the phone at an airport in another country.

See **POLICE LOG** page 8RE  
in the Real Estate Section



## The gavel falls

Verdicts, pleas and sentencings announced by  
Monterey County District Attorney Jeannine Pacioni

**April 14** — A jury found Tony Alexander Gomes, 43 and a resident of Castroville, guilty of child abuse and possession of firearms and ammunition as a prohibited person. Gomes faces a maximum sentence of three years in prison.

On March 18, 2022, Gomes picked up his two children, 14-year-old Jane Doe and 8-year-old John Doe, after school in the area of Las Palmas, River Road. At some point, an argument ensued between Gomes and Jane about Jane not putting her seatbelt on. In response, Gomes suddenly braked the utility van he was driving, presumably to make his point. After Jane threw various items in his direction, he struck Jane no fewer than 3 times on her arm with a closed fist, leaving a large bruise. Gomes then threatened to drag Jane out of the van while it was stopped on the side of River Road, but, when Gomes got out, Jane locked the front passenger doors of the vehicle. Gomes then retrieved a metal bat out of the cargo area of the van and began to jab it toward Jane through the cage separating the passenger area from the utility area. Fearing that Gomes would strike her with the bat, Jane unlocked the doors, allowing Gomes to

access the front of the van, and Gomes stuck Jane one last time with a closed fist, this time striking her in the head. Jane felt pain and pressure and voluntarily got out of the van to avoid further abuse. Gomes then drove off, leaving Jane on the side of River Road.

During the investigation, John told investigators that Gomes was often in possession of firearms, both handguns and hunting rifles/shotguns. Gomes had previously suffered a felony conviction in October 2000, making him a person prohibited from owning or possessing firearms. On June 14, 2022, members of the Monterey County Sheriff's office served a search warrant on Gomes' residence off Meridian Road and found under his bed an illegal assault rifle, a shotgun and a hunting rifle along with numerous boxes of live ammunition and indicia of handgun possession.

This case was investigated by deputy Christy McLeod and Sgt. Scott Davis of the Monterey County Sheriff's Office. District attorney investigator Sarah Jackson also assisted. The victims in this case were assisted by victim witness advocate Yanine Velasquez.

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# Fire department asks public to assist with wildfire prevention

By MARY SCHLEY

A SURVEY and several meetings set to be held in Carmel and other Peninsula cities seek to get the public more involved in “creating a more wildfire-resilient community,” and the Monterey Fire Department is urging people to help it draft a plan for wildfire protection.

It says the plan will “help us identify opportunities to reduce wildfire risk and provide community outreach and education” — all standard fire prevention language — but to ensure the local plan reflects the values and priorities of the residents in Carmel, Pacific Grove and Monterey, the agency is asking for input.

Found at [surveymonkey.com/r/MontereyCarmelPacificGroveCWPP](https://surveymonkey.com/r/MontereyCarmelPacificGroveCWPP), the Community Wildfire Survey seeks to gauge people’s levels of concern about wildfires and how to mitigate the risks of losing life and property.

### Vulnerability

After questions about where they live and in what kind of housing, the survey asks takers to rate their homes’ levels of wildfire risk and how prepared they are for wildfire. It asks which factors “make your home the most vulnerable to wildfire,” such as vegetation on the property or a neighbor’s, construction materials, limited evacuation routes, hydrant locations, and lack of house numbers.

The questionnaire also asks people to indicate their three greatest concerns related to wildfire, from structure losses and injury or death, to missing work or school, evacuation, impacts on loved ones and pets, environmental damage and smoke.

Regarding evacuation, it asks what the three most significant barriers are, including not knowing where to find information or lacking transportation, not wanting to be separated from pets, having nowhere to stay, and wanting to stay and defend their homes.

It goes on to inquire about which “activities would be the most important in reducing wildfire risk within your community” and prompts levels of approval or disapproval of various ways of reducing risks and managing

vegetation.

Finally, the survey seeks feedback on preferred means of communicating and distributing information regarding wildfires and hazards.

In developing the plan, the fire department will also hold public workshops in May. The session in Carmel will be held May 23 from 6 to 8:30 p.m. in Carpenter Hall at Sunset Center on Mission at Ninth.

Monterey’s will take place in the conference center at 1 Portola Plaza May 24 during the same hours, and Pacific Grove’s will be in the community center at 515 Junipero Ave. May 25, also from 6 to 8:30 p.m.

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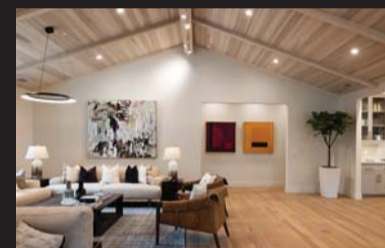
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# Council continues 'temporary' fire ban while it works on permanent one

By MARY SCHLEY

AN ISSUE that once provoked lengthy debate and lively public comments was addressed by the city council Tuesday without any fireworks when it voted 4-1 to extend a temporary ban on beach fires until a permanent law is enacted.

In March, the council decided to move ahead with a permanent ban on wood fires on the beach and to allow only propane devices, but getting that law implemented will take some time, since the California Coastal Commission will have to approve it.

In the meantime, council members enacted an emergency ordinance imposing the prohibition. Had they not, the law would have reverted to the previous rules

allowing unlimited fires on the sand south of 10th Avenue between 4 and 10 p.m. daily. The current prohibition was set to expire May 15, so planning director Brandon Swanson asked the council to extend the temporary ban on all wood fires.

"This urgency ordinance will remain in place until the regular ordinance is presented to the city council and becomes effective following coastal commission certification," he said in his report. And if it's not adopted, the rules would revert to the code that "allows wood fires to be built in the sand year-round."

The resolution supporting the ban cites several justifications, including pollution, wildfires, and the risk of people and dogs stepping on hot embers in the sand. It did not cite the dangers of inhaling

wood smoke, but the head of the local air resources board, Richard Stedman, sent a letter asking that they be included.

### 'Coughing and wheezing'

"I was surprised and concerned that there was no mention of the public health impacts associated with the public's exposure to wood smoke from beach fires," he wrote. "Besides the nuisance odor issues associated with wood fires on Carmel Beach, the public health impacts are significant and most likely greater than the risks associated with water pollution, fire

hazards and walking hazards, as listed in the existing ordinance."

He went on to list a number of those risks, including "coughing, wheezing, asthma attacks, heart attacks, and premature death," but also noted that propane fires emit a lot of toxins.

"The risks associated with exposure to propane emissions may be lower, but it should not be expected that all health risks will be eliminated by switching to propane fires only," Stedman wrote.

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# Group sounds alarm over fentanyl

By CHRIS COUNTS

TO BRING attention to fentanyl overdose deaths sweeping the country and impacting the county, a Monterey-based nonprofit, Community Human Services, will hand out free packs of Narcan at Seaside City Hall May 6 from 1 to 3 p.m. Narcan is a drug that can rapidly reverse an opioid overdose.

Just two weeks ago, a Carmel High School graduate, Jude Quirinale, consumed too much fentanyl and died.

According to the group, there's been

a sharp rise in fentanyl deaths, increasing "eightfold since 2018." The drug is 50 times stronger than heroin and 100 times more potent than morphine.

"It's the No. 1 cause of death among people from 18 to 24," Robin McRae, the CEO of Community Human Services, told The Pine Cone. "That's a staggering statistic — the crisis is growing larger."

McRae said it's essential that Narcan be accessible and available to those who might need it to stay alive. The group

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## Pastor loses latest bid to move 51-year-old 'historic' annex

By MARY SCHLEY

THE ONGOING debate over the historical significance of the small "community room" behind the former bank building at Seventh & Dolores came to a conclusion of sorts this week when the city council unanimously voted to deny owner Patrice Pastor's request to relocate the structure so he can develop the property.

Designed by architects Walter Burde and Will Shaw in 1972, the Northern California Savings and Loan complex has been the subject of debate for two decades, including court fights between would-be developers and the city over its merit as an architectural icon. While the importance of the corner building that now houses Seventh & Dolores Steakhouse is no longer debated, the significance of the annex behind it is.

In 2018, Pastor acquired one lot adjacent to the bank complex and subsequently purchased the two parcels that include the bank's community room and parking lot.

On the three lots, he plans to construct a mixed-use complex of apartments, retail space and underground parking. It will be named the JB Pastor Building, after his father.

In early 2021, his design team proposed demolishing the annex, which consultant Meg Clovis said was not historic and therefore concluded tearing it down would not affect the integrity of the corner building. But contrary to Clovis' findings and the planning department staff's recommendations, the historic resources board in May

2021 disagreed. Pastor asked the city council three months later to overturn that decision but was unsuccessful.

### Kept trying

He subsequently proposed moving the annex to the other side of the main building, rather than tearing it down, but the historic resources board again found the project would violate the federal guidelines for historic properties, and in August 2021, Pastor's team again failed to convince the city council to overrule the board.

Pastor's team tried again last fall with a revised plan for moving the community building, with even more review by consultants. The historic resources board considered that application in January, again denied it, and, because the complex had turned 50 years old in October 2022, added the property to the city's inventory and register of historic properties, mandating their preservation.

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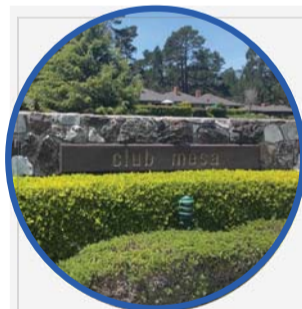
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The small "community room" building behind the Seventh & Dolores Steakhouse is historic and cannot be demolished or moved.



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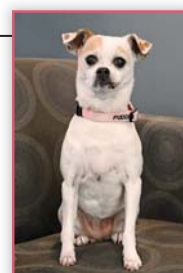


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# After illness, sheriff's deputy back at work

By KELLY NIX

THE MONTEREY County Sheriff's deputy who had to take leave from work for about a year because of a cancer diagnosis is disease free and back at work, she said this week.

Deputy Nora Fausto, 36, was diagnosed with non-Hodgkins lymphoma, a cancer that attacks the lymph nodes, in May 2022, which forced the single mom to take leave from work while she underwent treatment, including at least a dozen chemotherapy sessions. In February, Fausto's doctor said she was in remission, and another test on April 26 showed she was still cancer free.



PHOTO/NORA FAUSTO

Deputy Nora Fausto took a long break from her job after a cancer diagnosis, but is now free of the disease.

She returned to work Monday. "Today was a very emotional but satisfying day for me," Fausto told The Pine Cone after her first day back. "It was so great to see all my coworkers and friends after this long battle against cancer."

Fausto believed she was in good health until she started having headaches, loss of appetite, extreme fatigue and felt a small lump in her throat. She underwent tests and was diagnosed with the lymphoma.

### Courageous

Now back at work, she's on modified duty until July. "I am assigned to work at the Salinas courthouse," Fausto said.

A friend and coworker excited about Fausto's return to work posted about it on social media Monday.

"Today I walked into work and there was a familiar set of eyes smiling at me through a mask and hat — my dear friend

Nora!" the coworker said. "After a courageous year of fighting, she returned to work today."

Fausto's friends, colleagues and people who have never met her, donated money to help pay for medical bills and other expenses not covered by insurance.

"I would like to thank everyone for their prayers, love, comments, donations and support in all of this," Fausto said. "It was the most difficult thing I've ever had to endure in my life, but I never felt alone or hopeless. My faith in God and everyone got me through it."

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## Quail Motorcycle Gathering celebrates everything two wheels

By MARY SCHLEY

THE 13TH annual Quail Motorcycle Gathering will gather more than 350 of “the world’s preeminent vintage and modern motorcycles, scooters, and bicycles while exploring the newest and most popular products from leading manufacturers and retail exhibitors” on the driving range at Quail Lodge May 6 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

This year’s featured classes are Italian and single-cylinder motorcycles, 1970s Vintage Muscle, and Bring on the Baggers, in addition to 11 traditional classes, and flat-track legend and Hall of Famer Bubba Shobert will be named this year’s Legend of the Sport and will participate in a fireside chat.

Local food trucks will provide the bites, as will Marianne’s ice cream and others, and wine, beer and other drinks will be offered, too. The event also has a dedicated children’s area for interactive play.

### ‘Always amazed’

“Celebrating our 13th year of bringing motorcycle enthusiasts together at our Quail Motorcycle Gathering, I am always amazed at the variety of interesting motorcycles that are on display, along with the people who share them for all to enjoy,” said Gordon McCall, who founded the event, as well as its larger, older sibling, the Quail Motorsports Gathering held there each August.

“One of my favorite features as well is honoring our Legend of the Sport each

year, and this year it is a motorcycle icon who has Monterey Peninsula roots,” he continued. “Three-time AMA Grand National Champion, and 1988 AMA Superbike Champion, AMA Hall of Famer, plus Motorsports Hall of Fame of America inductee, Don ‘Bubba’ Shobert.”



PHOTO/COURTESY QUAIL EVENTS

The Quail Motorcycle Gathering provides plenty of opportunities for ogling two-wheeled beauties and meeting enthusiasts.

And new this year is a VIP experience that benefits the fight to end pediatric brain cancer, the deadliest childhood disease. Hosted by the Pediatric Brain Tumor Foundation and the Why We Ride community, the inaugural Why We Ride for Kids Fundraising Dinner will take place May 6 at Quail Lodge & Golf Club. It will start at 5 p.m. and include cocktails and hors d’oeuvres, a silent auction, and dinner with Shobert. Purchase tickets at [rideforkids.org/whyweride](http://rideforkids.org/whyweride).

Tickets for the Quail are \$60 in advance and \$70 the day of the event, and kids ages 13 to 17 are \$20. Find more information and tickets at [peninsula.com/en/signature-events/events/motorcycle](http://peninsula.com/en/signature-events/events/motorcycle).

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# With wet weather winding down, Santa Lucia Conservancy prepares for summer

By CHRIS COUNTS

WHILE THE puddles in Carmel Valley are barely dry after one of the soggiest winters in California history, the folks at the Santa Lucia Conservancy are already gearing up for wildfire season — and their efforts are being boosted by a taxpayer grant of \$752,510 from the California State Coastal Conservancy, the group reported this week.

According to the conservancy, which manages 18,000 acres of open space in the Santa Lucia Preserve, the money will be used “to implement trainings that increase



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Controlled burns are an essential firefighting tool, but must be done when there is no chance of the fire spreading into unintended areas.

the region’s wildfire workforce, decrease fuels in high-risk transition areas, and support community risk reduction over the next three years.”

The grant will help fund what is being described as a fuel reduction workforce training program. The program marks a collaboration between Santa Lucia Conservancy and two other groups, the California Conservation Corps and Central Coast Prescribed Burn Association.

“This program will instruct between 60 and 90 early-career conservation professionals in highly technical, hands-on fuel reduction skills,” the group announced. “Trainees will assist the Santa Lucia Conservancy in reducing fuels from 125 acres of forest and removing 550 acres of flammable invasive species from chaparral and grassland habitats.”

The conservancy also plans to use the money to help pay for four prescribed burns on up to 350 acres of forest and mixed habitat. Besides lowering the risk of a devastating wildfire, the controlled burns benefit flora and fauna.

## Mitigation

“These burns will also create considerable opportunities for the regeneration of valley oak, blue oak, and coast redwood in areas that have not seen fire in over a century,” the SLC continued. “Promoting natural regeneration through fire is an important mechanism to create a mixed-age forest stand, which builds long-term resilience in forest ecosystems.”

The prescribed burns will offer also training for people who are seeking firefighting certification, including “natural resource managers, ranchers, researchers, tribal

members, foresters, park rangers, homeowners, and agency staff.”

The Santa Lucia Conservancy’s executive director, Jamison Watts, said the wildfire mitigation work has far-reaching benefits. “Mitigating the threat of catastrophic wildfire on The Preserve benefits the entire Monterey Peninsula community,” he added.

According to the conservancy, the property it manages is strategically located between wildlands and residential neighborhoods — and as a result, the fuel reduction work done on its land can play a key role in protecting nearby homes. “The importance of fuel reduction in this area was exemplified during the 2016 Soberanes Fire, when 5,000 emergency responders were staged on The Preserve to prevent the fire from advancing through the property into more densely populated areas,” the group added.

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# Haffa declares for 5th District supe

PINE CONE STAFF REPORT

A MONTEREY City Councilman who's served on the panel for more than a decade announced this week that he's seeking to replace Mary Adams on the Monterey County Board of Supervisors.

In a press release Wednesday night, Alan Haffa announced his intention to run for the 5th District supervisor seat. The election is in 2024.

Haffa explained why he's seeking the supervisor position, which is currently held by Adams.

"We need strong leadership in District 5 on issues such as sustainable and affordable water, homelessness and addiction services, and environmental sustainability," according to Haffa. "District 5 faces threats from fire and sea level rise and we must make climate change adaptation an urgent budget priority. And we need leadership that understands and appreciates the contributions of organized labor."

Neither Haffa nor Adams could not be reached for comment Thursday.

Haffa has been a member of the Monterey City Council since 2012. He was a Monterey Peninsula Unified School Board member from 2004 to 2007, and has represented the City of Monterey on several boards, including Monterey One Water and the Fort Ord Reuse Authority.

"He coordinates and teaches in the life-long learning program, Gentrain, at Monterey Peninsula College, and has represented MPC faculty as a labor negotiator since 2010," Haffa's release said.

On the City of Monterey's website, Haffa touts his "natural skills" in helping "bring a group to consensus."

"If you can find a solution that works for everyone, where everyone wins, that is a better solution than where one party wins and the other loses. But if a spirit of reason and compromise are not met halfway, I will ask the tough questions and I will stand up for what is right."

# Parking meetings lively so far

By MARY SCHLEY

RESIDENTS, BUSINESS owners and other stakeholders who want a say in whatever paid-parking plan the city council considers in the fall have two more workshops they can attend, and consultant Brian Uhler, the former interim police chief who is overseeing the project, said he's gotten a lot of feedback already.

"People have been very engaging and thoughtful in this process," he said from Thursday's farmers market, where he's been chatting with members of the public about the program — named PACT, for Parking and Congested Traffic, because governments love acronyms.

The aim of the parking program is to reduce traffic congestion, make more on-street parking available in the business district, reduce the use of on-street parking by employees, improve pedestrian and bicyclist safety, reduce traffic noise in the business district, reduce emissions, minimize tourist and employee parking "spillover" in neighborhoods, and entice locals to shop downtown.

In hosting the workshops, Uhler said the aim is not to hear whether people support or oppose paid parking, since the city council has already requested a plan detailing how and where parkers should be

charged.

"It's not up or down on paid parking," he said. "My goal is to get something before the council with maximum input from the community."

## Live polling

Workshops were held May 1 and May 3, and more are scheduled for May 9 at 6 p.m. and May 11 at noon.

"The work being done there has been productive," Uhler said. "We use a 'poll everywhere' feature, a live polling process where people bust out their phones and log on and participate in a series of 19 questions to help guide the future design of any program that's going to come before the council."

At Wednesday's meeting, a group of about 20 people participated, and their feedback showed up on screens in real time, according to Uhler. "It was nice watching them engage and vote on a variety of important topics," he said.

Some of the questions include whether permit-only parking areas should be established around pay zones "to protect from spillover" by those who don't want to pay, and what times of day enforcement should begin and end.

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# PASTOR

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The next month, Pastor once again asked the council to let him proceed. "As you know, we have been unable to

progress this project through the planning process until this issue [moving or demolishing the community room] is addressed, and have made no meaningful progress on the project due to the numerous city-imposed delays," Pastor wrote. "Conveniently these, in our opinion, inexcusable delays have now resulted in the Northern

California Savings and Loan Bank Building reaching the 50-year milestone of Oct. 26, 2022, and being added to the city's historic context statement, both of which had previously impeded the historic resources board's resolve to list this property in the Carmel inventory and register."

"The city has not imposed any delays — it's just been processed consistent with standard practices as outlined in the municipal code," Kort countered.

Representing Pastor, attorney Logan Opsahl argued the community room is not eligible for historic designation on its own and asked the council to consider overturning the historic board's objections to the simple project of moving the building 70 feet to the northeast and allowing a new historical review of the proposal. Another consultant, Anthony Kirk, said he evaluated all the relevant documents and determined relocating the annex would not impact the integrity of the main building.

**'No merit'**

At the May 2 council meeting, associate planner Evan Kort advised the council to deny Pastor's appeal. In general, staff will always recommend the council back the board or commission decision being challenged, but Kort went on to say Pastor's appeal was "without merit."

"It fails to address why either of the actions taken by the HRB is incorrect or should be overturned based on factual evidence that was applicable to the decisions made by the HRB," he said. Instead, Pastor's objections focus on the process.

**'Work of art'**

No one from the public supported those arguments, though.

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## ANNEX

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Polly Osborne, president of the American Institute of Architects Monterey Bay Chapter, said the group opposes moving or demolishing the annex and noted the former bank building “was the last commercial work that Burde and Shaw did together.”

“We feel it’s significant and the relationship of the buildings is important, so we oppose this,” she said.

Architect and former planning commissioner Don Goodhue said he was “dumbfounded” by the argument the two structures are separate.

“There is one building — a very careful, deliberate composition,” he said, adding that the local American Institute of Architects board of directors unanimously voted that it should be protected. He urged the council to “save it from desecration.”

Preservation consultant Kent Seavey said the complex is one of the best commercial designs by Burde and Shaw, and since it was their last, it’s afforded protection under

the “first, best or last” rule for historic preservation.

Former planning commissioner Ian Martin also implored the council to keep both buildings as they are.

“The community room and its placement is an essential part of the Seventh and Dolores building and is no post-script or afterthought,” he said.

“Rather, it was designed and built at the same time as the main building. It is therefore integral to the original vision of the architects.”

He called the complex “a work of art that needs to be preserved as a whole.”

### Limited options

Councilwoman Alissandra Dramov, who has written several books on the history of Carmel, said she feels strongly about historic preservation. “I do respect the original architects’ vision and respect the relationship of the buildings,” she said.

Dramov said she would reject Pastor’s application and uphold the historic resource board’s decision, a motion that was unanimously backed by the rest of the council.

Pastor’s options now are to revise his plans and try yet again, or sue the city for illegally denying his application.

## Balestreri presents scholarship

THE NATIONAL Restaurant Association Educational Foundation, in collaboration with the Ted J. Balestreri Leadership Classic, recently donated \$20,000 to the Monterey Peninsula Country Club’s Morse Foundation Scholarship Fund. Ted Balestreri, chairman and CEO of the Cannery Row Company and founder of the TJB Leadership Classic, presented the check April 18 to MPCC general manager JJ West. The contribution resulted from proceeds raised at the 30th TJB Leadership Classic, which took place March 1-4 and garnered more than \$2.4 million for the foundation.

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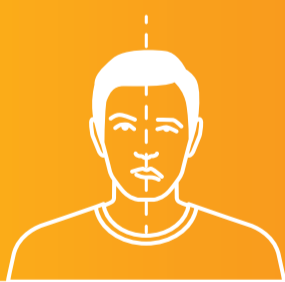


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## Chamber sets lunch, names new boss

By MARY SCHLEY

**T**HE CARMEL Chamber of Commerce — which announced at Tuesday's city council meeting that interim executive director Lance Wills has taken on a permanent role — will host its annual luncheon honoring membership milestones May 12 from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at Spanish Bay. Mayor Dave Potter and city administrator Chip Rerig will be joined by State Sen. John Laird as the event's guest speakers.

### New head

Since Jenny MacMurdo left her position as executive director more than a year ago to run the Pacific Grove Chamber, the business organization has had a few temporary leaders and for a while had none at all, with board chair Sygale Lomas taking charge. In February, the board appointed a business executive with more than 30 years of experience in the United States and globally as its interim head. And at the May 2 city council meeting, Lomas announced Wills will stay.

Wills was most recently chief digital information officer for West Marine, where he led their digital transformation and navigated the business through the disruptions of Covid, and prior to that, he served in "transformational executive leadership roles" for Macy's, American Eagle Outfitters and Toys-R-Us. He also spent 10 years with Thomson Reuters in London and in the San Francisco Bay area to improve the distribution of information to customers.

When he was announced as the interim in February, chamber officials described Wills as having "a strong focus and

understanding of the relationship between businesses and their customers," and said his "leadership, experience and energy will be an asset to the chamber."

Wills told the council he and his partner live in Carmel and have a daughter at River School. After serving as the temporary head for the last three-and-a-half months, he said, "I'm excited to make a greater commitment." A new website and speaker series are among the projects in the works.

Lomas also asked the council to allocate \$120,000 in taxpayer funds to help the chamber run its visitor center — \$60,000 more than the draft 2023-2024 budget calls for.

"In the past year, our cost to operate the visitor center increased to just over \$135,000," she said. "We intend to grow the impact the visitor center and its volunteers have on our guests and the city."

### Member milestones

During the May 12 lunch, in addition to presentations by Potter, Rerig and Laird, longtime chamber members will be honored, including The Carmel Pine Cone, Hyatt Carmel Highlands and the Pine Inn, all of which exceed the 100-year mark. Nearly two dozen businesses have been members for more than 50 years. All told, the chamber has around 500 members spread through out the city, the



Lance Wills

unincorporated areas surrounding it, and Carmel Valley.

Lunch will be held at the Inn at Spanish Bay in Pebble Beach and costs \$100 for members and \$150 for nonmembers, with early registration ending May 5, after which the prices increase by \$30. For more information and to register, visit [carmel-chamber.org](http://carmel-chamber.org).

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# Sculptor revisits Royal Ballet memorial, shares new work at reception Saturday

**J**UST IN time for the coronation of King Charles III, Dawson Cole Gallery welcomes an exhibit, "The King and I," by sculptor Richard MacDonald. The gallery will have an artist's reception Saturday at 1 p.m.

More than a decade ago, MacDonald was in talks to create an ambitious monument for the Royal Ballet that would pay tribute to its founder, Ninette de Valois. While the monument never came to fruition, MacDonald set up a studio near the Royal Ballet and created a series of sculptures in preparation for it. Each piece was based on one of the Ballet's principal dancers.

Painter Kate Warthen, whose new work is included in a show titled "Vocabulary," sees a blank canvas as a puzzle to solve.

"I think that learning to recognize and nurture one's own vocabulary, one's own affinity for certain marks and

shapes, is the path to solving the puzzle," Warthen suggested. "Of all the possibilities and all the sources for solutions, nothing develops that internal language like the time

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## Art Roundup

By CHRIS COUNTS

Along the way, MacDonald had dinner at Buckingham Palace and met one of the Royal Ballet's greatest supporters, then-Prince Charles.

The ballet pieces will finally see the light of day when "The King and I" opens.

"Just as ballet is the refinement of our human capacity for joyous and expressive movement, so too, these artworks are the refinement of figurative sculpture — unsentimental and powerfully poetic," MacDonald said. "As King Charles III begins his reign, we celebrate the sculptures that drew his admiration in the renowned school of ballet and mark a historic accord between art and the monarchy for the 21st century."

The show will be on display through May 31. The gallery is located at Lincoln and Sixth.

### ■ Art center welcomes new shows

Pacific Grove's monthly First Fridays celebration arrives May 5 — along with four new shows at the P.G. Art Center, which will mark the openings with a reception at 7 p.m.

A group that has brought together local artists for more than half a century, the Central Coast Art Association presents a juried show of paintings by a mix of its members.

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## BUDGET

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rise experienced during the pandemic, when property tax receipts went from \$6.66 million in 2019-2020 to an estimated \$8.14 million this year, thanks to booming real estate values.

Sales taxes are estimated at \$9,605,953, compared with the \$8,496,039 expected to come in this year, despite the fact city administrator Chip Rerig said he anticipates some cooling in the economy. Spending in town by travelers and locals shaking off the shackles of the Covid pandemic brought in \$9,596,727 in sales taxes during the 2021-2022 fiscal year.

Hotel taxes, however, are expected to drop significantly in the coming year, from an expected \$8,038,940 in 2022-2023 to \$6,801,007 in 2023-2024.

Other income includes \$2.82 million in charges for services, up from the estimated \$2.5 million this year, and "other revenues," expected to total \$2.79 million in 2023-2024 vs. an estimated \$3.3 million in the current fiscal year.

### Police, public works

Of the \$29,309,471 expected spending on operations during the next fiscal year, the police and public works departments account for more than a third, with Carmel P.D. maintaining its top spot in the budget at \$5,772,706, followed by \$5,409,213 for public works, a significant increase from prior years. Gullo said part of the reason is a shift of some costs, like maintenance in Mission Trail park, from the capital budget to the operating budget.

City administration comes in third at \$3,228,316, followed by the fire department, which is operated via a contract with Monterey Fire, at a little over \$3.1 million, and several other departments.

Gullo also mentioned the Carmel Chamber of Commerce requested \$120,000 this year — double the amount listed in the budget — and the Monterey County

Convention and Visitors Bureau asked for \$243,619, compared to the anticipated \$204,000. Finally, the Carmel Youth Center — which was abruptly shut down by the state last month for providing childcare without a license — requested \$50,000 per year for the next five years.

The biggest chunk of the budget will go to capital projects, which public works director Bob Harary listed for the council, including 25 projects being carried over from previous fiscal years at a total cost of \$8,088,000, which includes \$1,365,000 from outside sources, and 16 new ones totaling \$2,264,000 in city funds and \$564,000 from others. Those efforts include ongoing ADA upgrades, repaving streets and sidewalks, a library master plan, renovation of the Scenic Road pathway, repairs to stairways and other infrastructure at the beach, an urban forest master plan, improvements at Sunset Center, and electric vehicles for forestry and the police department.

Council members had little to say about the proposed budget, other than councilwoman Alissandra Dramov, who remarked that the list of capital projects seemed "enormous" and would cost "a huge amount of money."

"I wish that we would somehow cut it back," she said.

Councilwoman Karen Ferlito countered that some of the work has been put off for years, "and if we don't do some of these projects, they will only become more and more expensive as we go along, and some of them could become actually dangerous."

"This is our opportunity to catch up and keep our community beautiful, but more importantly, keep our community safe," she said.

The council voted 4-1, with Dramov dissenting, to sign off on the capital improvement plan.

The proposed budget will be the subject of a special council workshop May 16. People can also submit questions to the city to have them addressed at the June council meeting by emailing Gullo at mgullo@ci.carmel.ca.us. The council is set to vote on the budget next month.

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# HOUSING

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has resulted in dislocations for everyone who is not as privileged as we in this room are to live here," Baron continued. "We as a community and we as a county and we as a state are in the business of providing good lives for everyone who lives here, and the views expressed that we don't need to do our part to provide housing — that's not what I think our community is — so I will not support this resolution."

Former planning commissioner Ian Martin agreed with Baron. "Housing is a tremendous challenge in many parts of the country, California especially, and we do need to participate in some fashion," he said.

### Not about housing numbers

Councilwoman Alissandra Dramov defended the resolution, which she described as "largely symbolic," and she said it's a red herring to mention specific housing numbers, since the resolution addresses broader issues.

"It just says that local control is best," she said. "The government closest to the people serves the people best. This is about local officials, and we know what is best for our community, as opposed to bureaucrats in Sacramento who are imposing a one-size-fits-all policy on all these communities."

Ferlito disagreed that Carmel should have control over its housing rules. "I don't think this resolution would have come up without the mandates," she said. "Mandates are not always bad," such as bans on smoking and laws requiring people to wear seatbelts. "They come as a result of something that has not happened on its own," she said, and the city has not seen any affordable housing built in years.

"Perhaps we can even create more community by doing some of the things the state is asking us to do," she said. "We are trying to work collaboratively with the housing authority and do our part."

But Mayor Dave Potter said he's "a little tired of having the state tell us what we should be doing at the local level,"

and handing down "too many unfunded mandates."

"I could not disagree more that we should just sit here idly and let the state dictate what we are supposed to do," he said, and local review, especially of large housing projects, is critical.

Richards said that at the last League of California Cities meeting more than a year ago, he attended a rally defending cities' abilities to make their own decisions.

"I do think local control is not the end of the world when it comes to housing," Potter added. "We have a community that cares about housing."

The council adopted the resolution 3-2, with Ferlito and Baron dissenting.



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## LETTERS

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program presentation on May 1. I went to the meeting thinking it was a bad idea to make visitors pay to park in the downtown core but left feeling it was a good idea.

When I heard Logan shout down the speaker and rail against the program, my natural impulse was to immediately support it. But the key for me was a footnote in the presentation: The program would result in more visitors helping to pay for the city services and resources they use.

My biggest problem with the plan is that the city doesn't have enough parking outside the city core. After the PACT presentation, I visited all the city parking lots listed in the Oct. 4, 2022, staff report (Vista Lobos, Sunset Center, city hall, Harrison Park Branch Library, post office, Carmel Plaza), and I can confidently say most are hard to find, difficult to access, currently restricted and ridiculously small. If the idea is to encourage parking somewhere other than the downtown core or in front of residences, there need to be good alternatives. Otherwise, I fear the PACT plan will simply add visitor parking fees and increase resident frustrations (with little to no impact on the car congestion and lack of parking).

And if it is indeed true that employee parking is a big part of the downtown parking problem, consider offering downtown employees incentives for parking in the lots (\$2 every day they park in the lot — redeemable at any downtown store).

I also think it deserves mention that hundreds, if not thousands, of the folks adding to the daily car congestion are residents going to the post office for their mail. Adding home addresses and mailboxes would go a long way toward reducing downtown congestion.

Peter Krause, Carmel

### Electricity price increases

Dear Editor,

The April 28 Pine Cone editorial touched on an income-based pricing structure for PG&E's electric service. Gov. Gavin Newsom signed Democrat-passed AB 205 into law last year against firm Republican opposition. This is to be expected of a one-party (Democrat) state government with their unholy collusion with corporate interests.

What this will do is create a three-tiered price structure which, on the surface, will supposedly benefit lower-income utility users. However, such a program already exists for low-income users under PG&E's Care program, so the change reeks of abuse for all users. Some low-income customers will possibly see a moderate benefit, but everyone else will see higher bills because total costs will still be based on usage. With an additional underlying flat fee, all conscientious utility users will find themselves punished.

Don't believe me and think big government is your friend? Remember when the CPUC ruled that Cal Am had the right to bill us for the water we saved during drought years? Under AB 205, if you normally use less electricity than the flat fee, then you, too, will pay for unused product.

Those who thought to be responsible by putting solar panels on their roofs will find their efforts for naught. Under AB 205, the flat fee for middle-income ratepayers will be \$51, which pretty much obviates the roughly \$10 "minimum delivery charge" that solar customers currently pay to PG&E in order to be connected to the grid. And, as many are quite aware, government interventions always cost the end user.

Doubt again? Consider the doubling of the Monterey One Water bills from \$57 just six years ago to \$109 today. Those PG&E price tiers will also increase as the good old boys in the Democrat Party grant further lucrative concessions to their corporate buddies.

Richard S. Hellam, Seaside

### Freedom of speech

Dear Editor,

In the spring of 2020, a Pacific Grove City Council member, Jenny McAdams, saw some decals on a truck. These decals didn't fit her political agenda. She took her complaints to Police Chief Cathy Madalone and

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WORSHIP SECTION

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demand she find the person who owned the truck. I find it outrageous that Madalone even considered this demand. The police chief is paid by the taxpayers. Is it her job to track down an individual for a city councilwoman? But she did, only to find the truck belonged to Michael Gonzales, a young police officer who had been awarded Police Officer of the Year in 2017. He obviously was an outstanding officer.

The chief gave this information to McAdams, who then proceeded to dig into the young man's social media account. McAdams didn't like what she found and demanded Gonzales be fired. Madalone, with the approval of the city manager, Ben Harvey, fired Gonzales. This is very troubling. Two people in public office violated Gonzales' First Amendment rights. It is also unfortunate that Madalone didn't have the intestinal fortitude to defend her outstanding officer.

But it didn't end there. A resident, Randy Fairgarden, created a flyer and sent it to various California police departments warning them not to hire Gonzales. This action is slanderous. Fairgarden and Adams have never been held accountable for the damage they did to this young man.

Gonzales was denied his freedom of speech. If this could happen to an upstanding young man at the hands of a few people who didn't like his beliefs, don't think it can't happen to you. If you want to keep your freedoms, you need to take action and stand up and be heard.

**Lorree Hampton, Pacific Grove**

**Long-term housing needed**

**Dear Editor,**

During the last few weeks, the short-term rental issue in Carmel Valley has reached a peak of serious complaints. Many residents have seen their roads deteriorate significantly to the point that potholes are creating destruction and threatening residents' safety.

The irony is that we recognize the need for permanent or long-term rental

properties in District 5, but the four-fifths vote necessary to pass a short-term rental moratorium, as proposed by 5th District Monterey County Supervisor Mary Adams, weren't there and the moratorium was not implemented. Although the supervisors of District 1 (Salinas) and District 3 (Greenfield) are aware of the fact that 88 percent of short-term rentals are in the 5th District, and the housing shortage for employees is at an all-time high, they don't seem to muster up the compassion to deal with this issue.

Potholes and roads are below county standards and are not adequately repaired. The worst situation is in front of and around Tularcitos School at Ford Road and El Caminito in Carmel Valley.

Federal and state financial support to stimulate tourism have increased by millions during the last 10 years. I'm glad we have hotels and motels with the capacity to offer proper accommodations, but when will we recognize the real need for long-term rentals for regular employees in the 5th district and beyond?

The total destruction of secondary and tertiary roads will continue unless we are willing to change the short-term-rental policy. Our local workforce needs the long-term rental capacity. The Monterey County Board of Supervisors should look at how we serve and spend the budgets for primary residents and employees.

The current trend we are witnessing is the commercialization of our residential neighborhoods. LLCs are created by out-of-town companies/individuals who use the purchased homes for short-term rentals to the detriment of permanent residents while upsetting and polluting the neighborhoods with noise, lack of parking, and driving abuse on narrow roads within established residential areas.

The only way to improve the current destruction is to follow the Carmel Valley Master plan designed to preserve the rural character. It took many years and a multitude of professionals to design this plan. Why not adhere to its purpose?

**Robert Korstanje, Carmel Valley**

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# WATER

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reduce water costs,” the group said in the same pamphlet.

“To lower our water costs, we need the buyout to succeed,” Public Water Now said on social media in July 2022.

The water management district’s feasibility study indicated “that significant annual reductions in revenue requirements and projected monthly water bills can be realized by MPWMD acquiring and operating the Cal Am water system.”

### Unsure now?

Years after the passage of Measure J, do its proponents still believe that a government-run water system would lead to lower water rates for Peninsula water customers?

The Pine Cone asked the water district’s seven directors and its general manager, as well as the head of Public Water Now, if they are confident that Peninsula water customers’ monthly water bills would be lower under a water system owned, operated and managed by the water district — Measure J’s biggest and boldest selling point and the carrot that led voters to pass it.

Three directors responded.

Water district director George Riley, the longtime Cal Am foe and fierce advocate of government-controlled water systems who led Public Water Now in 2018 during the Measure J campaign, said that “public ownership eliminates profit, thereby lowering water costs.” His group at the time railed against Cal Am’s “monopoly control and price gouging.”

This week, though, Riley said he couldn’t predict whether customers’

monthly bills would be less expensive under a system run by the district, saying that would depend on how much it costs to acquire Cal Am.

“Until the price is known, there is no answer to your question,” Riley told The Pine Cone, saying that “eventually ownership will allow burning the mortgage, thus reducing cost in the long run, like a mortgage-free home.”

“Until the purchase price is known, probably via eminent domain, nothing can



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pencil out,” Riley added.

Director Amy Anderson has a slightly different take than Riley’s. Anderson told The Pine Cone that based on the research she’s done and from what she’s been told about public ownership of the system, she believes customers’ water bills would be lower “by some amount than what they were with Cal Am.”

“In addition, it was my belief that once the water purchase ‘mortgage’ had been paid, those related costs would be no more,” Anderson said.

### ‘Should’ go down

Considering the feasibility study’s

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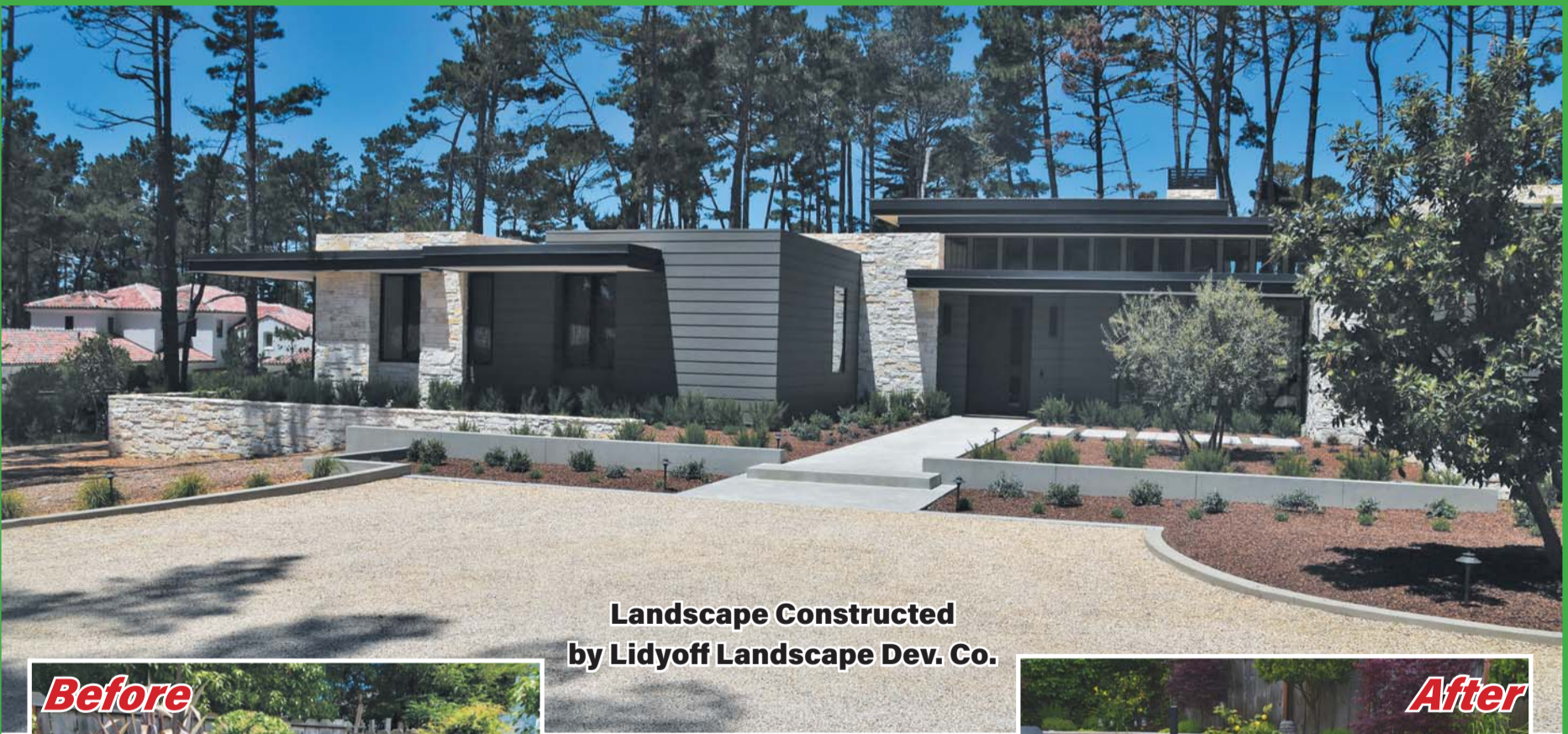
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indication that the water district's operation of the Monterey water system would mean "significantly" lower monthly water bills, The Pine Cone asked water district general manager Dave Stoldt if that's a guarantee.

Water rates "should go down for a bit, or at least hold flat, and then not grow as quickly as when under Cal Am," Stoldt told The Pine Cone.

Director Alvin Edwards also weighed in, repeating Stoldt's statement on customers' rates under public ownership, adding "that is what we meant by financially feasible."

The newspaper also asked Stoldt if it's possible that Peninsula customers' bills could increase under an MPWMD-controlled water system — which is what Cal Am believes will happen.

"Eventually, they would go up due to inflation on energy, chemicals and labor, but it is expected that they would not go up as fast as under Cal Am because public agencies have a lower cost of capital and no shareholder return, among other financial advantages," Stoldt said.

Water director Mary Adams, who is also a Monterey County supervisor, was unavailable for comment, her executive assistant said, while directors Ian Oglesby, Karen Paull and Mark Eisenhart did not respond to questions from The Pine Cone.

**Cal Am rejects**

Melodie Chrislock, Public Water Now's director, said in 2017 that the group proposed Measure J because "we know that our water would cost less under public ownership than under Cal Am."

Unlike Riley's uncertainty, Chrislock stuck to the group's years-old promise, saying this week that "Public Water Now is confident that Monterey Peninsula water bills would be lower under MPWMD ownership." Chrislock also pointed to Cal Am's recent request for more than \$15 million in rate increases.

"Cal Am added \$26.4 million to the price of our water in the last four years, and now they are asking the California Public Utilities Commission to authorize another \$15.3 million increase," Chrislock told The Pine Cone. "The typical tier 2 water bill has gone up 38 percent since Measure J passed in 2018. Cal Am has no incentive to keep prices down since it has no competition. I hope the public understands that the profit we now pay Cal Am would offset the loan cost to buy them out. The buyout cost is not added on top of what we pay now for water."

Public Water Now often claims that the Peninsula has the "most expensive water in the country," which it calls "outrageous and unacceptable." However, the group has not said whether that would at all change under a public water system.

**The loser pays?**

Cal Am attorney George Soneff told The Pine Cone April 3 that Peninsula customers' monthly bills would likely increase with the water district's ownership of the system.

"MPWMD plans to borrow hundreds of millions of dollars from Wall Street investment banks to pay for the

purchase of the water system," Soneff said. "Those loans would include millions in profits for the investment banks, the cost of which would be included in water rates paid by Monterey residents."

An eminent domain effort to acquire Cal Am could cost the water district millions of dollars. If the district loses its case in court, it could be compelled to eat that money plus pay Cal Am's legal expenses. That's what happened when the town of Apple Valley lost an eminent domain case to acquire its private water company. A judge ordered the town to pay the company \$13.2 million for legal fees and costs on top of spending about \$8 million on the effort, according to Soneff, who represented the company.

In its April 28 rejection of the water district's purchase offer, a Cal Am spokesman touted the company's "high

quality and reliable water service" to its customers and said it plans to continue serving them.

"The Monterey Peninsula Water Management District should stop wasting taxpayer money and reconsider its reckless and infeasible attempt to purchase our water system," Cal Am's director of external affairs, Evan Jacobs, said.

The water district doesn't have authority from LAFCO to operate the Monterey water system. The district is challenging that decision in court.

Meanwhile, Stoldt said the next step is for the district to evaluate whether it's in the public interest to acquire Cal Am through eminent domain, and if so, hold a "public necessity" hearing.

"That will not happen until later this summer," he said.

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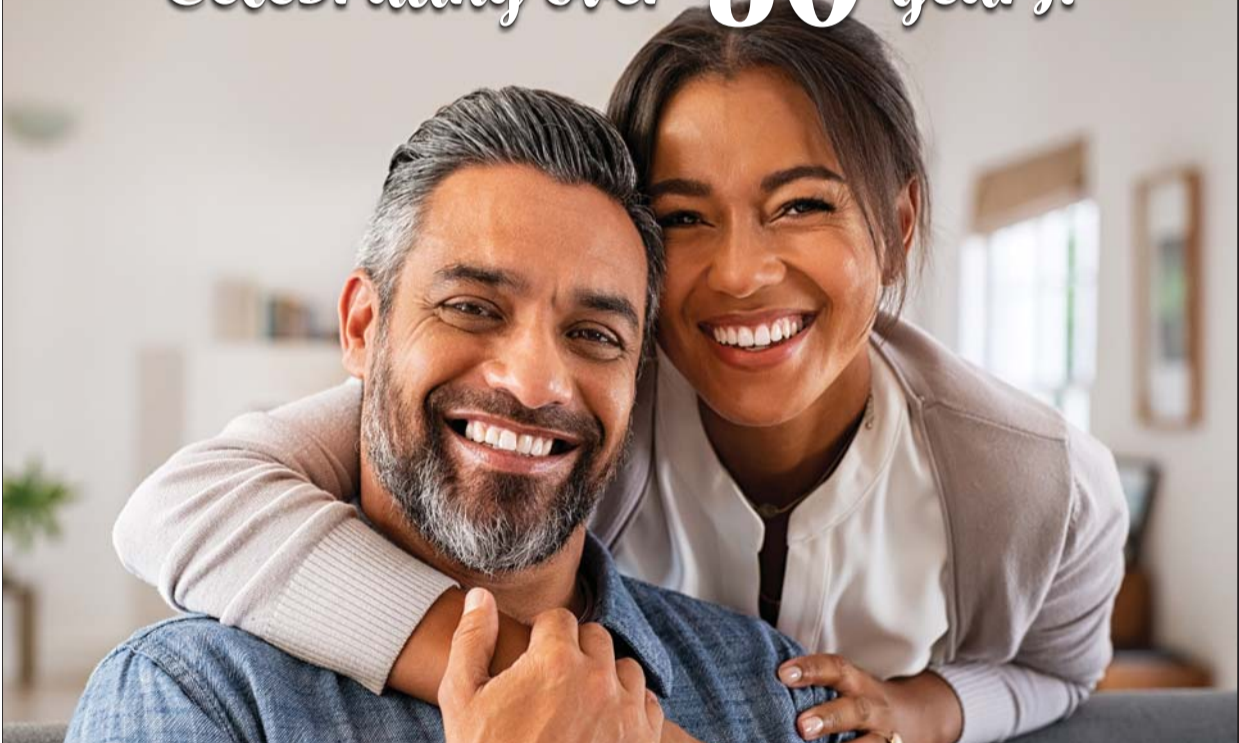
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# CHAPLAIN

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visits, “accepted Christ.” She died about two weeks later, and the woman’s family invited McWhorter to speak at the service.

McWhorter, a pastor at Monterey Church, a non-denominational Christian church that meets at the Golden State Theatre, explained to The Pine Cone that he’s not a “formal religious person,” but that his belief in the scriptures and Jesus Christ is the guiding force for his life’s work.

Community Hospital, as part of national volunteer week, profiled several of its volunteers, including McWhorter.

“With his compassionate heart and years of experience, Chaplain McWhorter is a valuable member of the

community who has touched many lives through his ministry,” CHOMP said. “The staff and patients at Community Hospital adore his familiar face and calming demeanor.”

## ‘Ministering folks’

McWhorter also spends one Sunday a month at Soledad Prison, something he’s been doing for eight years. That’s also a volunteer position.

“It’s another blessing, just like CHOMP, he said. “The prison has chapel services they conduct Sundays, and I’m the keynote speaker.”

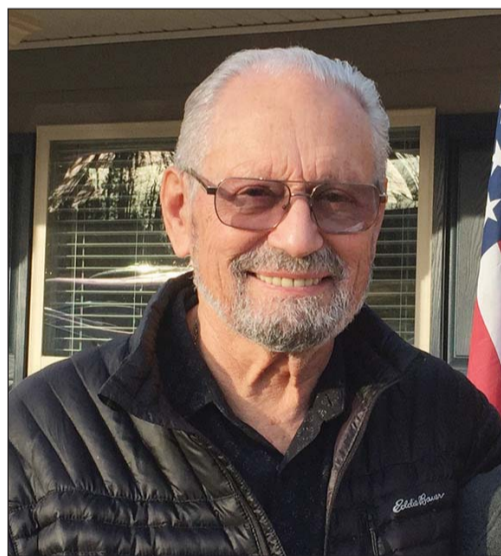
He got into ministering in a roundabout way. After retiring from the U.S. Army, where he was a Green Beret, McWhorter was involved in an effort to get a church built in Seaside, which was eventually accomplished. While that was going on, though, McWhorter’s mother died and he traveled back to Gary, Ind., where she lived.

“In that process, I ran into a scripture from the Book of John,” which directs people to serve Christ, he said. “I

knew the scripture was talking to me. It called me to work for God, and I’ve been doing it ever since.”

As for potential challenges that present themselves in volunteering, McWhorter can’t think of any, mainly because he doesn’t think of volunteering as work.

“I just look at it as ministering folks and offering my love,” he said.



## JOHN LOUIS ISAACSON

June 9, 1936 - February 6, 2023

Our Papa John passed away at age 86 on February 6, 2023, due to complications from Parkinson’s and dementia. He was surrounded by family and left us after a taste of chocolate ice cream, his favorite.

John grew up in a military family, and one of the highlights of always moving around was attending Lowell High School while the family lived at the San Francisco Presidio. He went on to graduate from West Point in 1958. His 10 years in the United States Army included honorably serving in Vietnam.

John eventually went to work for Shell Oil Company for 25 years, living all over the United States. His time with Shell included a four-year assignment in Saudi Arabia.

During the Saudi Arabia chapter of John’s life, he met and married Anne Haber Beck, formerly of Carmel Valley, California. They had a great time traveling the world together. Their combined family consisted of five children and eight grandchildren.

John and Anne were married for 39 years, the last 25 of which were spent living in Incline Village, Nevada, surrounded by the beauty of Lake Tahoe, and a great group of friends, along with a devoted Lhasa Apso named Willie.

Surviving John are his wife, Anne; his sister, Jean Richards; his daughter, Kris (Steve) Sommer; sons, Tim (Heather) Isaacson and Eric (Shelia) Isaacson; stepson, Darsie (Courtney) Culbeck; stepdaughter, Marilyn (Majid) Karimi; and grandchildren, Ashleigh (Charlotte), Caedmon, Fisher, Zack, Andrew, Carver, Griffin and Mina.

Private celebrations of life are pending.

## Josephine ‘Jossie’ Espinosa Diaz

Josephine “Jossie” Espinosa Diaz was born in Fresno, CA to a third generation Mexican-American family. Her mother, Carmen Espinosa, cooked and served migrants who were part of the Bracero Program in the 1940s and ’50s. The family moved with the crops during the seasons throughout California in towns like Delano, Coalinga and Tulare. Her dad, Joe Espinosa, worked and drove trucks for the produce companies. They settled in Castroville, CA with her two sisters, Mary Lou and Mary Ellen, where she went to North Salinas High. She was one of the Artichoke Festival queens in her teens. She was about to join the Navy after high school when she met Dean Diaz at a James Brown dance at the armory in Salinas, CA. They danced for the first time and fell in love. Dean had just gotten out of the Navy and, as fate would have it, they hit it off. He had just seen her the day before at Hartnell College and was taken aback. There was his chance and a friend introduced him. Dean and Jossie were married in 1963.

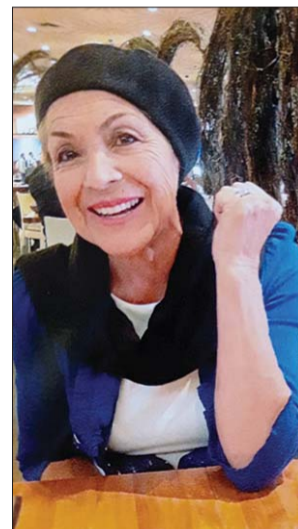
They then opened a Mexican restaurant, Plaza Linda, with Dean’s parents, Dean Sr. and Jennie Diaz in Carmel Valley Village and lived in Robles Del Rio from 1963 to 2005. They had the Plaza Linda for 44 years and sold it in 2007 Her incredible recipes satisfied local families, friends, tourists and even notable stars like Joan Baez and The Beatles, Doris Day and Joan Fontaine. Jossie and Dean were blessed to travel by car, planes, trains and a tandem bike around the world and the USA. Going to Europe multiple times, Egypt, Bahamas, Mexico and Israel and took many road trips around the USA. Many friends tell us how many times they saw Jossie and Dean dancing at festivals, nightclubs, restaurants and wherever there was live music. Friends even saw them dancing outside their convertible Mustang (with the top always down) once on the side of Carmel Valley Road. They never stopped dancing since that James Brown show.

Jossie and Dean called Monterey home and lived in San Diego for four years to be close to their granddaughter, Gizelle; son, Rene, and his wife, Masuda. Since 2009 she also helped her son, Rob, with his Cafe on The Presidio Army Base in Monterey. She loved watching cooking shows, gardening and spending time with family and friends. Her love of life, prayer, traveling, dancing, cooking, and hard work is a blessing to all of us. Her calm, loving, beauty and strength is what guided our family to be who we are today. She will be missed but celebrated forever.

Service and Celebration of life are set for 10 a.m. Friday, May 12, 2023, at San Carlos Cathedral, Monterey, CA.

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# Good Old Days returns to P.G. May 6-7

PINE CONE STAFF REPORT

**I**N WHAT Pacific Grove's Chamber of Commerce president said will be the "biggest event" of the year in the city, the annual Good Old Days returns to P.G.'s downtown this weekend.

Carnival rides, a variety of interesting and delicious fair food and more than 40 bands and other entertainment acts on five stages will be happening throughout the two-day festival, which is on May 6 from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. and May 7 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

"It's going to be the biggest event yet this year," P.G. Chamber of Commerce president Jenny MacMurdo told The Pine Cone.

"We are back to our old footprint, and filling all 10 blocks of Lighthouse Avenue, from 13th to Congress, with food and arts and craft vendors," she said.

MacMurdo said Good Old Days organizers will have a "special treat" for those who come to the event Sunday at around 12:30 p.m. near the Forest Stage.

The event also features the Kids Fire-fighter Challenge, petting zoo, face

painting, interactive art, quilt show, parade, car show, pancake breakfast, beer and wine gardens, "and lots and lots of music both days."

## BAN

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He observed that the state as a whole is moving away from burning all fossil fuels, including propane, and said "all combustion sources on the beach should be eliminated as soon as is reasonably practicable."

Council members didn't go so far as to ban everything involving flames on the beach, nor did they discuss prohibiting wood-burning fireplaces in residences, though the planning commission has routinely taken a position against them.

Without much discussion, the council voted 4-1, with councilman Jeff Baron dissenting, to continue banning wood fires in favor of propane while a permanent law makes its way through the approval process.

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### Dr. John Ridgely Goral

Dr. John Ridgely Goral died Sunday, April 23, 2023, with his family by his side after a lengthy illness. He was born in Green Bay, Wisconsin on July 19, 1948, and raised by his parents, Anthony and Irene (Pragacz) Goral.

John graduated from Abbot Pennings High School in 1966. He graduated with a B.S. in psychology from Purdue University in 1969. John then went on to The Ohio State University and after three years graduated with an M.A. and Ph.D. in industrial and organizational psychology.

After graduation, John moved to Washington, D.C. where he worked for the Human Resources Research Organization, the Defense Manpower Research and Data Analysis Center and the United States General Accounting Office.

John moved to Monterey, California in 1983 where he began working at the Naval Postgraduate School as well as the Defense Personnel Security Research and Education Center. He retired from the Defense Manpower Data Center in 2004.

John was an avid Green Bay Packers fan and enjoyed attending games in the same seats he did as a child growing up.

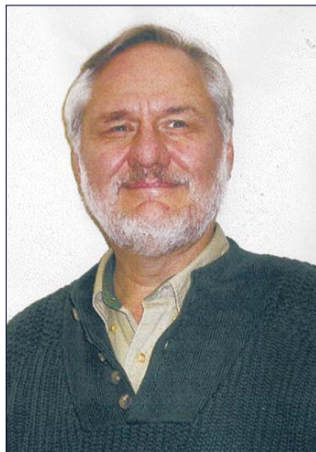
John is predeceased by his parents, Anthony and Irene Goral; sister-in-law, Janis (Chapman) Prange and brother-in-law Lowell Wenger.

John is survived by his wife of 39 years, Sherry Chapman; daughter, Ashley Goral Patania; son-in-law Giuseppe Patania; grandsons, Giuseppe and Giovanni Patania, all of Carmel, CA; sister, Andrea Wenger of Canton, MI; brother-in-law, the Reverend Anton Prange of Carmel, CA and several nieces and nephews.

The family would like to thank Dr. Thomas Bradley and staff as well as Dr. Ruth Trotter, John's niece who he proudly referred to as his "Family Doctor."

Memorials may be sent to Casa ALBA Melanie, 314 S Madison Street, Green Bay, Wisconsin 54301.

**A memorial service will take place at 2 p.m. Saturday, May 6, 2023 at St. Philip's Lutheran Church, 8065 Carmel Valley Road, Carmel, CA.**



### WILLIAM RAYMOND HANKISON

November 9, 1942 – April 25, 2023

**"Coaching is unlocking a person's potential to maximize their own performance. It is helping them to learn rather than teaching them."**

— Sir John Whitmore

William Raymond Hankison, 80, a gifted educator and title-winning coach, passed away on April 25, 2023, following a brief illness. Not only a master teacher and exceptional basketball, tennis and golf coach who touched the lives of countless Stevenson students, Bill was an American Contract Bridge League player, weekend golfer, animal lover, and most proudly, a devoted husband, father, grandfather and brother.

Bill was born November 9, 1942, in Columbus, Ohio. His life-long love of books began at an early age, and he always carried at least one with him, sometimes reading several at a time. It was no surprise that Bill would grow up to become a master teacher of English and literature. Likewise, his love of athletics also developed early, and Bill always had some kind of ball in hand, ready for any pick-up game. By high school Bill was garnering notices as the star quarterback on the Franklin Heights Falcons' football team, and a "much relied upon" member of the basketball team, several times scoring 20+ points in a game. Bill graduated from Otterbein University where he was again a valuable member of the Cardinals' basketball, football and tennis teams. He was also a member of the Humanities Society Phi Alpha Theta and the Sigma Delta Phi Fraternity whose motto, "Truth to Us Above All," Bill would exemplify throughout his life. He was always forthright and fair even when it was difficult to be so, and it was these qualities that made him a phenomenal coach and teacher.

Bill did post-graduate work at Harvard and Stanford, completing his master's at Wesleyan. In 1968, Bill moved to Ojai, California, taking a job at the Thacher School. He was a resident English teacher and dean but quickly made a name for himself as the athletic director and varsity basketball and tennis coach. In several newspaper articles during these years, Bill was credited with the school's athletic successes, but he always turned praise onto the students. In one interview he was quoted as saying, "I just like to see the kids go out and do their best. It's not about winning, although we like to win. It's about playing to their full potential."

Moving up the coast to Stevenson School in 1976, Bill continued to embody this philosophy, believing that, "You get the best effort from others not by lighting a fire beneath them, but by building a fire within." For 41 years, until his retirement in 2017, Bill exemplified this both in the classroom and sporting arenas. It was at this time that Bill met and married Jayne Zambresky, the love of his life.

Whether teaching A.P. English to seniors, introducing great novels to freshmen, supporting colleagues as the English department chair, mentoring over 50 young English teachers, or helping students with college admissions as assistant college counselor, Bill's dedication was keenly felt. However, it is as a coach where Bill left his most enduring mark. In his tenure at Stevenson, Bill was the varsity coach of the tennis, golf, and girls' and boys' basketball teams. In just golf alone, as coach from 2005 to 2014, the Pirates enjoyed a run of nine consecutive league titles and five consecutive Central Coast Section titles. In 2013, Bill coached the team to the school's first state title in any sport as the Pirates won the CIF State Boys Golf Championships. In total, Bill's career spanned 49 years, 35 years as a basketball coach. All the while, it wasn't about the winning but the students. Bill was inducted into the Stevenson Athletics Hall of Fame in 2022 in honor of his "commitment and distinctive achievements that have brought honor to Stevenson School and its athletics programs." Bill, from all who knew you, "Thank you!"

You spent untold hours helping students discover their passions. You were a master teacher and coach and garnered the deep respect of students, colleagues, players and coaches. You taught for 51 years, coached for 49, and loved every minute!

Bill is survived by his devoted wife, Jayne Hankison; his, son Seth (Noelle); daughters, Anya Sagee (Alon) and Chandra Matthews (Judah); granddaughters, Coral and Holly Matthews; and grandson, Myles Hankison; his siblings, Don and Dennis Abrams; Sue Quance, and Lisa McGee; numerous nieces and nephews, and Gracy, his loyal Samoyed.

**A celebration of Bill's life will be held on June 8th at The Church in the Forest at 4 p.m. The family would like to extend their gratitude to their supportive friends and the Community Hospital during this difficult time.**

**In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Bill Hankison Memorial Fund at Stevenson School for the rehabilitation of the gym in his honor. Contact Amy Elmore at [Stevensonschool.org](http://Stevensonschool.org)**

# Editorial

## The log

WHAT HAPPENED to Patrice Pastor at this week's city council meeting felt like a trip back to the days when protecting Carmel's "community character" was an unquestioned civic purpose, and what a property owner wanted to do with his land was considered secondary to what everybody else wanted him to do.

For decades, the only way you could build something on your land was if your neighbors, a whole alphabet soup of consultants and experts, various municipal and regional boards and commissions, the city council, the coastal commission and even the courts were unanimous that what you had in mind was OK. And that if any one of them said "no," you were SOL.

In Pastor's case, the "project" was to move a small, 50-year-old building from one piece of property to another. This week, he was told "no" because the city council decided moving it would be a blow to Carmel's historic and cultural character. To protect the town, the small building must stay where it is, the council said.

We express no opinion on whether this conclusion is correct. But we would like to offer that, in the scheme of things, the fate of the small building is a minor issue. Even if it were demolished, in 50 years, almost nobody would miss it or even be aware that it was gone, and Carmel would survive and be just as cherished as it is today. After all, the town hasn't stopped changing since the day it was founded. The point is that the change has happened slowly and deliberately, and with respect for the town's traditions and heritage — not that it has been nonexistent.

Doing their part to protect the town they love, everybody lately has been obsessed with issues like whether one tree or another could be cut down, where a cell phone tower should go, and whether the high school football stadium should have lights. But while we were doing that, something much more profound was going on in Sacramento, where the sages in the state Legislature decided that what Carmel needs is vast and far-reaching change, if not a complete transformation from a quiet village of single-family homes and quaint, low-rise businesses into a bustling mini-metropolis of apartment buildings and multi-family lots. Carmel, the geniuses in Sacramento decided in the last few years, needs 349 more housing units — in a town of fewer than 3,500 residents.

Most Carmelites were horrified by this erosion of their standard of living and infringement on their self-determination, but two members of the city council actually welcomed it — and, incredibly, these same two council members voted not to let Pastor move the tiny building on Dolores Street.

The New Testament knows about this situation. "Why do you see the speck that is in your brother's eye, but do not notice the log that is in your own?" the Book of Matthew asks.

Truly, moving one tiny building is a speck compared to shoehorning 350 new housing units into a confined and built-out city like Carmel.

Dear Karen Ferlito and Jeff Baron: How can you be in favor of the gigantic change and against the tiny one?

## BEST of BATES



## Letters to the Editor

### Shady dealings on Measure J Dear Editor,

Are you confused about Measure J and the water district's attempt to buy Cal Am? Well, I wouldn't be surprised if you were. Too much of today's politics have been reduced to sound bites. Does this look familiar? "Let's do a feasibility study." Sounds innocent enough, but this was repeated endlessly by the proponents of Measure J and aired by some of the media. Unfortunately, it wasn't the whole story, and now we are paying the price for our cursory review of the measure brought on by the repeated use of that sound bite.

The devil is in the details. Those were skimmed over during the campaign. The water district believes they have a mandate to pursue the buyout of Cal Am, but many voters are beginning to see that they were duped, and that the purchase of Cal Am is evolving into what may be a very long drawn out political, legal, and financial mess. They will insist, let's take a better look!

Ron Chesshire, Monterey

### Time to withdraw appeal Dear Editor,

Thank you for the article about the CUSD's lawsuits against David Hodges, 6, and his family concerning his special education placement. The community should know about this issue, which not

only affects the Hodges family but others struggling to get the services their kids are legally entitled to.

It was disappointing to see quotes about David's experience from last May, at Carmelo, a brief stopgap placement, instead of current quotes from his teachers and his pull-out specialty therapists who have had him in class most of the year.

Current research shows it's best for these students to be with their peers where they can learn as much as possible. It's also good for his peers to learn how to interact with people like him. David, whom I know and interact with, can hear and understand. He smiles, can indicate yes and no, can act stubborn, excited, happy, agitated and bored. He loves the sun on his skin, swimming in the pool and being read to. In other words, he has a brain, feelings and thoughts, but is trapped in a body that doesn't do all the things most people's do. He deserves (and is legally entitled to) the best education offered.

It's much less costly to service David in our local school than to incur these legal fees. I call on CUSD to withdraw their appeal to federal court (of the lawsuit they lost in a major way) against this family, using tax money we supply.

Christine Williams, Carmel Valley

### Supports parking plan Dear Editor,

In spite of the fact that failed prospective city council member Parker Logan tried to disrupt and hijack the entire meeting, I was won over by the Carmel-by-the-sea Parking and Congested Traffic

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# Taking a break from golf to teach civilians how to disarm bombs

THE BOMBING of Pearl Harbor on Dec. 7, 1941, changed life in America and on the Monterey Peninsula. In the months after the attack, men — young and old — signed up for the military service. Many of the Peninsula's men who were too old for military service went into civil defense work or moved away to work in defense plants.

Japanese residents along the coast — and even some Italians — were rounded up and moved to internment camps. Monterey's fishing industry expanded with the need to supply troops with high-protein rations. The expansion occurred despite loss of workers and several of the fishing boats being confiscated for patrol use by the military.

Tourism dropped dramatically. Manpower for resort operations also declined. Initially, there was an effort to maintain some level of normalcy. In early January

being kept quite busy by various defense tasks now," she told the San Francisco Examiner's Harry Hayward, "but time should be taken for a little relaxation." The women's golf circuit, while abbreviated, would begin with the San Francisco Women's Match Play Open. A qualifying round was played at the Olympic Club on March 9, 1942, with match play beginning the next day at the Lake Merced Country Club. Seventy-eight women teed off in the qualifier with defending champion Babe Zaharias shooting the low score of 78. Zaharias won all of her matches, defeating Thompson in the final 36-hole match, winning 11-up with 10 holes to play.

### Bonds, not trophies

In early March 1942, the Del Monte resort announced that it, too, would hold its women's tournaments as part of the circuit. The 20th Annual Pebble Beach Championship for Women would be played March 23-27, followed by a mixed two-ball foursome tournament on March 29 and the 2nd Annual Women's Cypress Point Championship from March 30 to April 2. Rather than trophies, the resort announced it would provide defense bonds and stamps for their tournaments.

A much smaller group, fewer than 20, teed off at Pebble Beach. Zaharias was not among them. The Pebble Beach tournament founder, Marion Hollins, finished second, qualifying with a 92, two strokes behind Martha McAllister of Hillsborough. Thompson was third with a 95 but was upset in her opening match. Mrs. Rod LaRoque, the former Vilma Banky of Hollywood, defeated Thompson in a close match that required one extra hole. Hollins defeated Lengfeld 1-up in their opening match. McAllister and Helen Sheldon of Carmel were the other two semifinalists. Hollins defeated LaRoque and Sheldon defeated McAllister. Hollins then took the final and recorded her seventh win in the championship.

Zaharias did not enter the Pebble Beach

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## History Beat

By NEAL HOTELLING

1942, Fred Corcoran, the PGA's tournament manager, announced its West Coast tournaments would continue as planned, including the Bing Crosby Pro-Am, which was still being played at Rancho Santa Fe that year. However, in mid-January, the USGA announced it was canceling its tournament for 1942. That included the 1942 U.S. Amateur that was scheduled for Pebble Beach.

### 'A little relaxation'

Helen Lengfeld, who in 1941 had launched a women's golf circuit for California, joined by her key associate, Barbara Beach Thompson, turned their attention from golf to teaching first aid with the American Women's Voluntary Services. In late January, they expressed doubt that the women's circuit would be played in March and April 1942.

Two weeks later, they changed their minds. Lengfeld called sportswriters in February to spread the word. "I know that most women golfers of the section are



In lieu of a trophy, Helen Lengfeld (center) presents defense bonds to Mr. and Mrs. George Zaharias for their victory in the mixed two-ball tournament, part of the abbreviated 1942 Women's Golf Circuit.

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# The King and Richard MacDonald

WHAT A long, strange trip it's been for Richard MacDonald, the internationally celebrated sculptor who, as he approaches his 77th birthday, looks back upon his magical life with wonder.

"I don't know how I got here," admitted the artist, whose circle of friends and associates includes world-famous athletes,

"The King and I," an exhibition that will run through May 31, featuring at least 17 bronze sculptures MacDonald created in England between 2010 and 2013, where he was given exclusive access to sculpt elite dancers from the famed Royal Ballet School. Additional sculptures from that body of work (he created more than 60)

will be exhibited simultaneously at shows at Dawson Cole Fine Art in Laguna Beach and at The Art of Richard MacDonald, his gallery at the Bellagio Hotel and Casino in Las Vegas.

(For details about Saturday's opening and exhibit, see p. 17A.)

Saturday's opening in Carmel was timed to coincide with the coronation of King Charles III and his wife, Camilla, Duchess of Cornwall, who will be crowned queen consort of the United Kingdom at the same ceremony at Westminster Abbey.

"I was taking that 20-hour flight to England once a month when I was working with Royal Ballet and had the great pleasure of meeting Prince Charles a few times. I had dinner with him twice, and had

private conversations with him about art and architecture," said the artist, whose home is in Monterey's Monterra subdivision.

As an artist-in-residence in 2010 at White Lodge — the former hunting lodge built for King George II in 1765, now home to the Royal Ballet's lower school — MacDonald said, "I exhibited about 50 pieces there for Prince Charles and 200 of his closest friends." His show included a performance by dancers from the Royal Ballet School and dinner for the prince and VIPs.

### Buckingham Palace

MacDonald subsequently received a silk invitation to a gala performance by the ballet and dinner at Buckingham Palace, where he was seated three chairs away from the prince and

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## Carmel's Artists

By DENNIS TAYLOR

A-list celebs, acrobats from Cirque du Soleil, the greatest dancers on Earth, and King Charles III.

"I've had such an interesting journey, enjoyed so many remarkable opportunities, interacted with people at all levels ... sometimes, in the middle of something, I'll catch myself saying, 'Is this real?'"

### A royal 'we'

On Saturday, from 1-3 p.m., Dawson Cole Fine Art (Lincoln and Sixth) will host a Champagne celebration to launch



PHOTO/COURTESY RICHARD MACDONALD STUDIOS

Monterey's Richard MacDonald enjoys a private conversation with Prince Charles — now King Charles III — at Buckingham Palace in 2012, after a residency in the U.K. when he created 60 sculptures of dancers from the Royal Ballet.



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## ADOPT

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When the war broke out, the roughly 300 orphans who had developed relationships with prospective adoptive families in the United States were evacuated to shelters in other European countries.

Panetta said that evacuating the children to the shelters was a "reasonable temporary step," but added that after "more than a year of conflict and continued uncertainty about the duration of the war," a humanitarian program should be in place to help the orphans and the families in the United States who want to "offer them a loving home."

Of the several hundred children who were in the process of being adopted, many of them had previously lived with American families in the United States — as a way of determining if they were good matches — before they went back to Ukraine to await the completion of the adoption process.

The process, Panetta said, takes several years and typically involves extensive vetting of potential parents by U.S. and Ukrainian authorities.

### 'Temporary'

The humanitarian program — if the Biden administration agrees to the plan — would be open to parents who, as of Feb. 24, 2022, had started the formal process of adopting Ukrainian children.

The program would be temporary, offering orphans the chance to stay in the United States "for periods of one to two years," and limiting it to the 300 Ukrainian children who were in the process of being placed in new homes.

The program Panetta is advocating for is similar to one started in 2010 for about 1,200 Haitian orphans in the wake of the devastating earthquake in that country.

"We believe this action should be taken with urgency and without any further delay," said Panetta and Morelle, who added they've heard from many constituents who want the U.S. government to help the orphans.

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# ART

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we spend with brush in hand.”

Pacific Grove High School students present a display that includes art and photography.

The First Friday celebration, meanwhile, kicks off the 64th annual Good Old Days street fair, which runs Saturday and Sunday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. along Lighthouse Avenue.

The exhibits will be on display through June 29. The art center is located at 568 Lighthouse Ave.

# PARKING

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“All of this will ultimately be helpful for the council, because we’ll be taking that information and putting it in a report that has all that data included,” Uhler said. “It’s important for the community to influence what ultimately goes before the council.”

For more information about PACT, including other ways to provide feedback, visit [ci.carmel.ca.us/pact-program](http://ci.carmel.ca.us/pact-program). The workshops set for next week will be held in Carpenter Hall, which is located in Sunset Center at Mission and Ninth.

The center is also soliciting miniature pieces of art for its annual fundraising Tiny Treasures Show, which opens July 7.

Each person can donate up to three pieces of art.

“Donated art must be original work and any medium is accepted,” the instructions read. “Each piece must be no larger than 8 inches by 10 inches, including frame, and not exceed 7 inches in depth. Each piece must be ready to hang on the wall, with hooks or wires already attached.”

The art will be raffled off, and proceeds benefit the art center’s many shows and programs.

Also in P.G. Friday, Artisana Gallery (612 Lighthouse Ave.) shares new work by local painter and sculptor Marcia Perry, who is a co-founder of the Youth Art Collective, which mentors young artists and offers them studio space.

## ■ Featured artist for May

Painter Maria Poroy is the featured artist this month at Venture Gallery in Monterey, which hosts receptions for the artist May 5 and May 20 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

“This exuberant show will include larger works as well as her dramatic 12-inch-by-12-inch paintings on wood panels that include mixed media and extreme texture,” according to the gallery. “The centerpiece is a collection of eight canvases with an interlocking design that can be grouped and displayed in various ways.” The gallery is located at 260 Alvarado St.

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# ARTIST

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directly across from the Baron Rothschild, at a table seating 120.

“At Buckingham Palace, I found myself staring at the most incredible collection of art you could possibly imagine,” he said. “Floor to ceiling, it was worth more than a billion dollars.”

As former president of the Royal Ballet, the prince took great interest in the pieces MacDonald was creating at White Lodge. The subjects included ballet icons Sergei Polunin, Steven McRae, Carlos Acosta, Yasmine Naghdi and others, who struck dramatic poses and performed spectacular aerial feats for the artist.

“I don’t work from photographs. I’m blessed with a photographic memory and I capture everything live,” said the sculptor, whose favorite piece from the experience is a rendering entitled “540 Revolution,” depicting Polunin spinning 540 degrees while airborne.

“Sergei flew through the air for me four times in one direction, then four times in the other direction, and I got it. I sculpted that piece right there, with him in the room, in less than two hours,” McDonald said. “Sergei is quite a character. We actually hung out together a little bit, going

to the pub or dinner.”

MacDonald was born in Pasadena, grew up near Santa Cruz and graduated from the Art Center of Los Angeles, where he was classically trained as a painter. Then he headed to the East Coast “in search of fame and fortune,” he said.

“When I graduated from college, I told myself, ‘If I’m never hired, I can never be fired,’” MacDonald said. “I think I’ll just work for myself.”

## World-renowned illustrator

In New York City, he found success as a freelance illustrator, specializing in sports.

“I did every sport on Earth for clients like Coca-Cola and the U.S. Olympic Committee — I did the Olympics in 1978, ’80, ’82, ’94 and ’96, and had shows all over the world,” he said. “At that time, I hadn’t done any sculptures at all and never intended to get into sculpting.”

But his curiosity about the art form evolved into obsession, and the illustrator became a full-time sculptor — entirely self-taught — in 1983, at age 37.

Over the past 40 years, MacDonald, who works in bronze, calculates that he has devoted between 150,000 and 200,000 hours to his craft, sometimes working till 3 in the morning in his fully equipped Monterey studio. Some pieces evolve quickly, he said, and others have required as many as four years.

“Honestly, this whole journey blows my mind, because I’m just doing whatever flows naturally through my mind — nothing is a contrivance,” he said. “Sometimes I have to stand back in complete wonderment, thinking, ‘How the hell did I do that?’ And I really have no idea.”

“I’m interested in capturing the soul, the intelligence, the love, the humor, the movement, the energy ...” MacDonald said.

“Willie Brown, the former Oakland mayor, saw the bust I made of him and his first comment was, ‘How did you capture that twinkle in my eye?’ That made me feel wonderful.”

The business side of his art career has been its own adventure. At his peak, pre-pandemic, McDonald had three galleries in Carmel, and others in Shanghai, Hong Kong, Singapore, Europe, Los Angeles and Las Vegas. His companies employed 105 people and had a \$1.2 million advertising budget.

## A family business now

In recent years, MacDonald has downsized, creating “a family-owned system.” Daughter Michele and son, Rich Jr., are owners, principals, gallery directors and curators. Both have been involved in the family business for more than 25 years. Rich earned an MBA from UC Berkeley, and he and his wife, Arianne, hold bachelor’s degrees in art history. They are gallery owners and manage the family’s business interests in Southern California.

“As I get older, I start thinking more about, ‘What am I going to leave behind?’” MacDonald said. “I don’t want to leave a mess — I don’t want to leave the business in disarray. I’ve created almost 1,000 sculptures — very few people can say that — plus thousands of drawings. To organize all of that stuff and copyright everything is complicated.

“Our company, in this little, tiny town (Monterey), is the best in the world,” said MacDonald, whose businesses donate regularly to numerous charities and nonprofits. His \$100,000 donation built the arts wing of the Boys and Girls Club in Salinas.

“There’s nobody who can say they create better products than us. That’s my attitude, and when you have that attitude, you’re willing to do whatever it takes to pull everything together.”

The artist, who said he’s been “around the world five times,” has reduced his travel schedule post-pandemic, but recently scratched off a bucket-list item in Bali, where he and his son “ran off a cliff” using hang gliders.

## ‘Retire from what?’

Creatively, MacDonald sees himself intensely focused on a “more thoughtful approach” to his art, as opposed to being prolific.

“We’re not interested in putting things out really, really fast, making junk,” he said. “A bronze statue will last for 2,000 years, which means a lot to me. I’ve never wanted to be a blip.” His work includes multiple monuments, some as large as 16 feet. “Momentum” at Pebble Beach, created for the 100th anniversary of the U.S. Open, stands 15 feet tall and weighs 15 tons.

Nor is retirement a consideration for the three-time grandfather.

“Retire from what?” MacDonald asked with amusement. “Being creative feeds the soul so much ... how could you possibly want to stop?”

On Oct. 13 and 14, at his studio, MacDonald will host “Magnus Opus,” a once-every-five-years, two-night exhibition of his work.

Additional information about the artist and images of his sculptures can be found at richardmacdonald.com.

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# HISTORY

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Championship, but she and her husband won the mixed two-ball tournament at Pebble Beach. Zaharias also won the Cypress Point Open with a 77-77-76-73 — 303. In second, with 325, was Agnes Albert of San Mateo. Thompson was third with 329.

A few weeks later, the 1942 California Women's Amateur was played at the Virginia Country Club near Long Beach. Only 18 ladies entered. The 1941 state and national champion, Betty Hicks Newell, had become a professional and could not enter. Clara Callender, formerly of the Monterey Peninsula, was the medalist (the lowest qualifying score) and champion, winning all her matches.

### Callender's triumph

In September, golf returned to the Peninsula. Despite the low turnouts earlier in the year, more than 100 women entered the 1942 Del Monte Championship, which, as in previous years, was run in conjunction with the men's state amateur at Pebble Beach. Callender remained the woman to beat. She set a new women's record, 71 in the qualifying round. She had witnessed the previous record of 73 set by British star Joyce Wethered seven years earlier. McAllister was second with 78, and Hollins tied with Edna Bolton of San Jose at 80 for third.

Callender was dominant in reaching the finals, winning her first two matches in just 13 holes each, and her semifinal match in 16 holes. Hollins worked much harder to become the other finalist. Her first match went to the 18th

and her second required a 19th. She won her semifinal match 2-up after 17 holes. In the 36-hole final match, Callender again dominated, defeating Hollins 9-up with eight holes to play.

Despite the good turnout for the 1942 Del Monte Championship, travel was getting more challenging and resort travel was severely waning. S.F.B. Morse negotiated with the government and on Jan. 1, 1943, Hotel Del Monte officially became a naval training center under a lease that included keeping the hotel staff employed. The Women's Golf Circuit was suspended as Lengfeld became even more active with the American Women's Voluntary Services, providing civil defense training that included how to disarm Japanese incendiary bombs being floated into northern California.

Registration for the 1943 Pebble Beach Championship for women was so low that in early March, the company announced it would be an informal 36-hole stroke play competition where the scoring would be based on the handicapped score under par. Entries were accepted up to the start of play on April 2. Thirty-five women teed off in the competition. Zaharias was slated to play but was called away to Colorado because of her father's health. Hollins and Lengfeld were in the field, but the unique scoring allowed Ellen Kieser of San Francisco to win the contest.

### Temporary takeover

As summer rolled around, the economy tightened more and, with Hotel Del Monte closed to guests, play on Del Monte Golf Course was so diminished that Morse decided to close it and move its pro, Peter Hay, to Pebble Beach. Hay made the move, but as he was also a Monterey city councilman, he got the city to take over the course "for the duration" of the war. Thus, for a few years, Del Monte became a municipal golf course.

Nevertheless, the State Amateur continued, and with it that September, the resort hosted the 1943 Del Monte Women's Championship, which attracted more than 80 competitors. However, as the Del Monte course was now a city operation, the Del Monte Women's Championship was played at Cypress Point in 1943. Neither Hollins nor Lengfeld entered, but Zaharias did, and she dominated. Her 79 was the low score in the qualifying round and she only had one close match.

Peggy Rutledge of Long Beach took their match to the 18th Hole before Zaharias won 2-up. In the final 36-hole



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During the early 1940s, golf organizer Helen Lengfeld (left), spent more time in uniform working for the American Women's Voluntary Services than in her golf togs. Seen here with Doris Nixon, they are providing instruction on disarming incendiary bombs.

match, Zaharias was up 9 holes after the morning round against Marie McCarty of San Francisco, and then closed out the match on the sixth hole in the afternoon, up 13 with 12 holes to play.

In March 1944, Del Monte's head of public relations Gwenn Campbell announced there would not be a Pebble Beach Championship, but that the Women's Del Monte Championship was still planned for September. Plans changed and both tournaments were ended "for the duration." Regrettably, Marion Hollins, the driving force of women's golf on the Peninsula, died that August.

When the war ended, golf came back to the Peninsula with a vengeance. We will cover that next week.

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# OVERDOSE

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### Events raise awareness

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Besides the Narcan giveaways, Community Human Services is presenting a Virtual Recovery Run to spread word of the fentanyl crisis. There will be a 5K run and a 3K run/walk, and the cost is \$40 for adults and \$25 for kids. Participants will receive race T-shirts and medals. Registration is open through May 20. For more details, visit [chservices.org](http://chservices.org).

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# The Carmel Pine Cone

## Section 2

### Stevenson, Carmel lacrosse squads strategize as playoffs loom

THE STEVENSON boys lacrosse team ran a bruising gauntlet this spring, playing the most challenging non-league schedule in recent memory to prepare for the competition that awaits them in the 2023 Central Coast Section playoffs which begin May 10.

Carmel, meanwhile, played a bare-bones schedule — league games only — under a brand-new coach, working toward a long-range goal of rejuvenating its program.

“I’ve told the guys from the start of our season that those nonleague games would be where we needed to prove we can compete with the best of them,” said Stevenson coach Cooper Kehoe, whose team beat Bellarmine last week, 11-10, on its own turf.

“It’s always been my mentality to schedule challenging opponents outside of our league and this year is the hardest schedule a Stevenson team has faced in a very long time,” said the coach, who starred for the Pirates (Class of 2007), and played collegiately at Colorado State, where, in 2016, he was inducted into the university’s Athletics Hall of Fame.

The Pirates began the current week atop the Pacific Coast Athletic League’s Gabilan Division with a 7-0 record, barreling toward a second-straight unbeaten league season (they were 12-0 a year ago).

But more impressive has been how well they’ve competed this season against tradition-rich lacrosse schools outside of the PCAL on their way to a 12-6 overall record.

#### Confidence heading to CCS

Nonleague foes who lost to Stevenson this season — Justin-Siena, La Jolla, Scripps Ranch, previously undefeated Live Oak, and Bellarmine — have a cumulative record of 60-19 this season. Three of those conquests were by a single goal.

The combined record of the six schools that beat the Pirates — Petaluma, Vista del Lago, Tamalpais, Menlo, Mitty and Seattle Prep, Washington’s 2022 state runner-up — is 71-29.

All of which is an encouraging harbinger on the threshold of this year’s Central Coast Section playoffs, which

conclude May 19.

The bracket for that tournament will be seeded on Monday, and where the Pirates are placed is a factor.

“We want to be seeded well. If you’re not in a good spot, you could end up losing your first-round game or running into a powerhouse like Sacred Heart Prep or St.

### Peninsula Sports

By DENNIS TAYLOR

Ignatius early in the bracket,” said Kehoe, whose team beat Junipero Serra 9-7 in last year’s CCS opener, then was eliminated by Sacred Heart, 19-5, in the quarterfinals.

#### Returning All-Gabilan players

A talented roster is led this season by two returning All-Gabilan Division players, senior midfielder Tristan Evans and sophomore attacker Will Bufkin, who are the team’s top scorers for the second year in a row.

“Tristan tended to put a lot of pressure on himself to score, but this year we don’t have to rely as much on any one guy, which has helped him learn to play within a system,” the coach said. “I think that’s really opened up his game and made him a better overall player.”

Bufkin began attracting the opposing team’s best defender a year ago as a freshman, and that experience is paying dividends.

“That, in itself, set him up for success this year,” Kehoe said. “He’s also a much bigger kid this year, and he has accepted that he’s somebody we’ll often ask to step up and take over a game.”

Returning as second-team All-Gabilan players are attackman Justin Diniz, a junior, plus defenseman Thomas Lansbury and midfielder Craig Chiu, both seniors.

Diniz was this year’s recipient of an honor named for

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(From left) All-Gabilan senior Tristan Evans (white jersey) has emerged as a better all-around player this season for the Stevenson Pirates. Will Bufkin, an All-Gabilan scoring machine for Stevenson, is shown here battling Carmel senior Tyler Giannini, 23, for position.



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alumnus Matt Slautterback Award, named for a former Pirates lacrosse star (Class of 1989) who died after a 1991 auto accident while he was a student-athlete at Middlebury College.

“Justin wore jersey No. 0 when the season began, but now wears No. 8 — Matt Slautterback’s number — which represents toughness, grit and a love for his teammates,” Kehoe said. “He gives us one speed — full speed — and is a catalyst for us offensively, defensively and across the board.”

### Learning curve

Lansbury is a quiet, fierce competitor tasked with guarding the top attacker, and sometimes moves to the midfield if the opponent’s best player is there. Chiu has been slowed by injuries for much of the season, Kehoe said.

Among other key players are junior Tate Escher, a defensive midfielder who also handles the crucial faceoff duties for the Pirates, and two freshmen, Laird Welch, a natural athlete who runs the entire field as a long-stick midfielder, and Graydon McCarthy, who has excelled as Stevenson’s first-year goalkeeper.

Carmel’s first-year head coach, Ryan Mayfield, a former attackman at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, said the learning curve has been ongoing this season for a Padres team that began the week with a 1-5 record — all Gabilan Division games.

Team leaders for the Padres include senior co-captain Brady Kasper, a technically sound defenseman with a tireless

motor and a strong lacrosse IQ.

The team’s most explosive players are brothers Jacoby and Noah Scattini, who have combined this year for 18 goals and 8 assists.

“Jacoby, our junior captain, is probably a little more flashy, very quick, and a strong shooter,” Mayfield said of the midfielder. “Noah is a sophomore and a classic attackman, but he’s more of our X-factor — he moves around to wherever he’s needed and doesn’t really play a position.”



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Junior co-captain Jacoby Scattini (white jersey) and his brother, Noah (not pictured) are Carmel’s top scorers this season SNAP

A junior, Ingeda Galakatos (6 goals, 2 assists) is an exceptionally athletic player who has seen action at attack, midfield, and even played a strong game at goalkeeper this season.

The third captain, senior Jim Moreau, is “a thoroughbred midfielder,” said the coach.

### Moreau is ‘the Iceman’

“He plays both ways, offense and defense, but he’s a basketball player, and plays a basketball type of defense — you never get past him,” Mayfield said. “He’s also the guy who cools everybody down if

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ATTRACTING THOUSANDS from far and near, the Good Old Days street fair returns to downtown Pacific Grove Saturday and Sunday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., and besides offering a marketplace of artisans and food ven-

### On a High Note

By CHRIS COUNTS

dors, the 64th annual gathering features more than two dozen mostly local musical acts, including **Red Beans and Rice**, **The Money Band**, **The Transducers**, **The Katherine Lavin Band**, **Rollin' and Tumblin'**, **The Lighthouse Band**, **Sensory Tribe**, **East Side Funk**, **The Rogue Roosters**, **Songbird Meadow**, **Johnny Tsunami**, **PG-13**, **Samba Legal**, **The Del Monte Brass Band**, **The Stu Heydon Band**, **The Chuck Brewer Band**, **Victory Lane**, **Monterey County Line** and others.

The Good Old Days, which packs several blocks of Lighthouse Avenue with nostalgic crowds, is presented by the Pacific Grove Chamber of Commerce and is free.

For more details, visit [pacificgrove.org](http://pacificgrove.org).

#### On the terrace

A singer and guitarist with local roots and a love of jazz steps into the spotlight Friday at 6 p.m. when **Peter Martin Barnes** presents a free concert on Sunset Center's outside terrace.

The performance comes just two months after Barnes released his debut LP, "Anywhere is Home." In the spirit of the album title, the singer is on a tour that will take him more than 3,500 miles across the country.

After graduating from Michigan State University in 2019 with a bachelors' degree in jazz studies, Barnes moved to New York City and immersed himself in the Big Apple's jazz scene for two years before moving back to Monterey.

Barnes' show is the first in a series of six presented by Sunset Center. Everybody is invited, literally.

"All are welcome," the theater announced. "No tickets or reservations are required. So bring your friends, family, dogs, cats, and birds to the beautiful Sunset Center terrace this May and June."

Sunset Center is located at San Carlos and Ninth.

#### Pixies, Jackie Greene in Monterey

An alternative rock band that drew raves in the early 1990s, **The Pixies** have a new album out, and they'll play songs from it Saturday at Golden State Theater. Showtime is 8 p.m.

Credited with influencing some of the top rock acts of the day, including Nirvana and Alice in Chains, the Pixies had five Top 10 hits on the Modern Rock charts during their heyday. Today the band features three of its original members, including singer and guitarist **Black Francis**, lead guitarist **Joey Santiago** and drummer **Davis Lovering**. Tickets start at \$49.50.

The theater is located at 417 Alvarado St. Call (831)

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Singer and guitarist Frankie Cosmos (left) plays Friday, 7 p.m., at the Henry Miller Library in Big Sur. East Side Funk (right) will be one of the groups performing this weekend at the Good Old Days in Pacific Grove.



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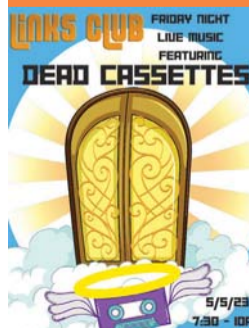
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## Fundraiser for Cachagua Fire, SLH wine auction, and Mother's Day options

**T**IRA NANZA Winery in Cachagua is hosting a fundraiser for the area's volunteer fire department Saturday from 4 to 9 p.m., with catering by the Italian Cowboys, Tira Nanza wines, mocktails from The Bitter Ginger, and live music by Rose Merrill and Mike Beck. A 50/50 raffle and a silent auction throughout the evening will feature local art, wine, jewelry, food items, gift cards and more.

Established in 1976, Cachagua Fire provides fire suppression and emergency medical services to residents in the rural and mountainous areas at the eastern end of Car-

meled Valley. It's led by Chief Jesse Reimer, a lifelong resident with a dozen years of service, and Assistant Chief Heather Curry, who has worked in the service for as long and is also an EMT. Battalion Chief Jaime del Valle, meanwhile, has been with the district for nearly 50 years and has trained many of its volunteers.

The department was particularly valiant during the Carmel Fire in August 2020, when many of its firefighters fought to defend homes, even as some of their own burned.

### ■ SLH wine auction

Tickets are \$100 and can be ordered through [cachaguafire.com](http://cachaguafire.com). Tira Nanza is located at 18181 Cachagua Road.

The Santa Lucia Highlands Wine Artisans, which is hosting its annual Sun, Wind & Wine Festival May 13 at Mer Soleil Winery, opened its annual online wine auction April 29, and bidding will close May 7 at 8 p.m.

Lots are being added all the time and include "unattainable large formats, single-lot bottlings, and mixed packs of your favorite wines from our generous vintners." Some of the proceeds from the auction will benefit the Rancho Cielo Youth Campus Drummond Culinary Academy and travel scholarships for up-and-comers in the industry to participate in the Santa Lucia Highlands Sommelier Tour.

Among the items up for auction are private winery experiences, magnums of notable wines, mixed cases of single-vineyard wines, getaways and tastings. Bidders can sign up at [event.auctria.com](http://event.auctria.com).

Meanwhile, the main event, which will have dozens of SLH producers sharing their pinot noir, chardonnay and syrah alongside small bites provided by notable local chefs at the beautiful Mer Soleil property, will be held from noon to 2:30 p.m. May 13. For many SLH producers, this event is their only public tasting of the year.

Tickets are available at [santaluciahighlands.com/event-tickets/sun-wind-and-wine-festival](http://santaluciahighlands.com/event-tickets/sun-wind-and-wine-festival) for \$135, with transportation available for an additional fee. A small number of VIP tables, which include access at 11 a.m. before general admission at noon, are on offer.

### ■ Mother's Day warmups

Sur restaurant in the Barnyard shopping center



The views from Pacific's Edge at the Highlands Inn are breathtaking, ensuring that Mother's Day brunch there will be a hit.

will host a sip 'n' shop session May 7 in honor of Mother's Day, which is May 14. Between noon and 3 p.m., the restaurant will offer live music and spring cocktails, including \$8 grapefruit margaritas and \$5 guava mimosas, while guests peruse goods from numerous local producers.

Set to participate are Valley Botanicals, Maria Schoettler, Current & Copper, Happy Nest Boutique, Pacific Stone Pottery, Soul Full Studio, Just In Jade, Full Of Life Creations, Beatriz Fraia, Qouign Pastries and Samuel Caution Soundwaves.

And in Salinas, the Great British Bake Shop is teaming up with nearby retail shop Casona to offer Mother's Day gifts. Located at 150 Main St., Casona will help create artisan bowls and hearts ideal for displaying the bakery's mixed gift bags of tarts and cakes. Customers can choose from three sizes: \$35 for small (five desserts), \$60 for medium (eight desserts) and \$75 for large (also eight desserts). Gifts can be pre-ordered and picked up at the bakery, 8 W. Gabilan St. in Oldtown Salinas. For more information or to order, visit [thegreatbritishbakeshop.com](http://thegreatbritishbakeshop.com) or call (831) 356-0005.

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## Soup to Nuts

By MARY SCHLEY

mel Valley. It's led by Chief Jesse Reimer, a lifelong resident with a dozen years of service, and Assistant Chief Heather Curry, who has worked in the service for as long and is also an EMT. Battalion Chief Jaime del Valle, meanwhile, has been with the district for nearly 50 years and has trained many of its volunteers.

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Shearwater Tavern in the Carmel Mission Inn recently introduced breakfast and will have several additional specials in honor of Mother's Day.



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# FOOD & WINE

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### ■ Mother's Day actual

With Mother's Day just around the corner, the Monterey Peninsula offers plenty of ways to cater to the family matriarch.

Quail Lodge in Carmel Valley claims "there's no better way to celebrate" than with its three-course brunch, offered for \$59 per person plus tax and tip (\$29 per kid 10 and under). Organizers said the meal set to be offered between 11 a.m. and 3 p.m. "will be an exceptional culinary experience" in a beautiful setting. Starters will include avocado toast, egg-in-a-hole, and salads, while entrées like steak and eggs, Croque Madame, smoked salmon Benedict and banana bread French toast will headline the meal. A menu for kids will be available, too, and every table will come with fresh fruit and assorted pastries.

Desserts will be Key lime pie, buttermilk panna cotta and chocolate-strawberry pot de crème. Book by calling Mindy Blundell at (831) 717-7439 or visiting [quail-lodge.com/special-offers/dining-offers/mothers-day-brunch](http://quail-lodge.com/special-offers/dining-offers/mothers-day-brunch).

For early risers, Shearwater Tavern in the Carmel Mission Inn on Rio Road will serve brunch a la carte starting at 7 a.m. and running through 1 p.m., with executive



Quail Lodge's Mother's Day brunch will include elegant smoked salmon eggs Benedict, among other offerings.

chef Fabian Di Paolo adding four special entrées to his recently released breakfast lineup. Dishes for the day include smoked salmon on a mini bagel with Boursin cheese, onion, chopped eggs, tomato and capers, and French toast with Chantilly whipped cream and maple syrup. Ratatouille salad will showcase roasted egg-

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### Pacific's Edge

From 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Pacific's Edge in the Highlands Inn will serve brunch with a view. The morning's menu will include shrimp cocktail, carved beef tenderloin and California eggs Benedict, among other dishes. The cost will be \$85 plus tax and gratuity, and \$35 for children ages 5-12. The inn is located on Highlands Drive off Highway 1 south of Carmel. Call (831) 622-5445 for reservations.

If a sunny day in the garden sounds good, the grounds of Folktale Winery are an option. "Our brunch menu makes any day feel like a celebration, but for Mother's Day, we're pulling out all the stops," including pouring complimentary glasses of sparkling rosé and handing out chocolate truffles, according to the folks at Folktale. Reservations can be made via [exploretock.com/folktalewinery](http://exploretock.com/folktalewinery). Folktale is located at 8940 Carmel Valley Road.

Meanwhile, Estéban Restaurant in the Casa Munras Garden Hotel in Monterey will take a break from its Spanish-focused cuisine to offer breakfast from 7 a.m. and brunch from 10 a.m. on Mother's Day, when executive chef Mario Garcia will present flan French toast, lox and bagels, crabcake eggs Benedict, roasted asparagus with with romesco sauce and Manchego, and other special dishes.

Visit [hotelcasamunras.com/dining/seasonal-events](http://hotelcasamunras.com/dining/seasonal-events) for more information, and call (831) 375-0176 or email [info@estebanrestaurant.com](mailto:info@estebanrestaurant.com) to reserve. Estéban is located at 700 Munras Ave.

### Cru adds vineyards

Cru Winery at the former Paraiso Vineyards site in South Monterey County is expanding its selection of single-vineyard wines by adding fruit from the highly regarded Fiddlestix Vineyard, located in

the Santa Rita Hills area of Santa Barbara County, and Regan Vineyards in the Santa Cruz Mountains to its portfolio.

Winemaker Jose Reyes has spent his three-decade career crafting wines from California's Central Coast, and he got his start at Bargetto Winery working with fruit from Regan Vineyards. "After my first harvest, I was hooked, and I knew I wanted to be a winemaker," he said. Reyes plans to use pinot noir and chardonnay grapes from Regan in this latest project.

The 2022 vintage of Regan Vineyard pinot noir will be released in early 2024, with Cru's first vintage of Fiddlestix pinot set to be harvested in 2023.

Learn more about Cru, including available wines, events and tastings, at [cruwinery.com](http://cruwinery.com).

### Tickets going fast

Tickets are still available for Legal Services for Seniors' 2023 Ciao Cioppino event, an evening of cioppino and other fare prepared by local chefs, along with live, silent and dessert auctions, live music, and more. The event will take place May 20 at 5:30 p.m. at the Moose Lodge at 555 Canyon del Rey in Del Rey Oaks. Find

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The Great British Bake Shop is collaborating with Casona home goods to offer special Mother's Day gifts in three sizes.

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### ■ I Brand's Piquette Nat

I Brand & Family Wines, which has a tasting room in Carmel Valley Village, recently released its 2021 Piquette Nat of sauvignon blanc and hibiscus flower. According to I Brand, piquettes are ideal brunch wines and "traditionally were made for the workers and families in vineyards as a low alcohol alternative to wine, and before clean water infrastructure, a safe means of hydration."

Piquettes are made by soaking grape must in water and pressing the grapes a second time to produce a liquid that's low in acid and high in phenolics. But the result tends to be "thin on the mid palate and not particularly tasty," so owner and winemaker Ian Brand was mulling it over and had a revelation inspired by Jamaica agua fresca, which is made from dried hibiscus flowers "and has various health benefits, including being extremely high in antioxidants and having anti-microbial properties." It also tastes good, so Brand decided to blend the two.

"Mineral, citrus, steeped flowers, guava and quince lead the way on the nose and on the palate with vibrant acidity, ruby grapefruit, tart mango, and bitter melon fruits in the mouth that are accented by an array of wild herbs and spices," Brand described the lightly bubbly, low-alcohol wine, which mea-

sures just 7.5 percent ABV.

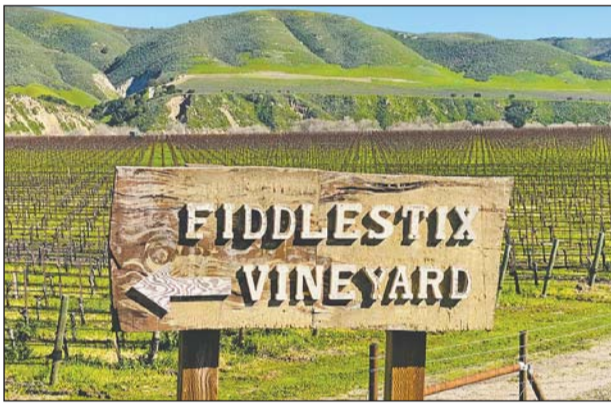
Find more about the wine at [i-brand-family-winery.obtainwine.com/collection/all-wines](http://i-brand-family-winery.obtainwine.com/collection/all-wines).

### ■ Olive oil wins again

Rancho Azul y Oro Olive Farm of San Miguel in South Monterey County received two gold medals at this year's New York International Olive Oil Competition for its 2022 Estate Extra-Virgin Olive Oil and its 2022 Arbequina Extra-Virgin Olive Oil. This is the third year in a row Azul y Oro Olive Oil Farm has been recognized for producing "one of the world's best olive oils."

Husband and wife Stuart de Haaff and Kathryn Keeler set out with the goal of creating exceptional extra virgin olive oils and since 2012 have received more than 86 awards, including two Best of California Awards from the California State Fair.

The couple's award-winning olive oils are produced in limited quantities, typically selling out before year end. Their products are available online at [ranchoazulyoro.com](http://ranchoazulyoro.com) and can also be found at Jerome's Carmel Valley Market, 2 Chambers Place in Carmel Valley Village.



Cru Winery is getting fruit from the highly regarded Fiddlestix Vineyard in the Santa Rita Hills area of Santa Barbara, broadening its portfolio of single-vineyard wines.

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# FOOD & WINE

## MUSIC

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649-1070.

Also at Golden State Theater this week is Salinas-born singer and guitarist **Jackie Greene**, who plays Tuesday at 8 p.m. A one-time member of the Black Crowes and former touring partner of Grateful Dead co-founder Bob Weir, Greene serves up a mix of Americana, blues and roots rock. Another local blues rocker, Marty O'Reilly, opens the show. Tickets start at \$29.

## Orchestra plays at MPC

Accompanied by harpist Pamela Scholz, **The Monterey Peninsula College Orchestra** performs Monday at the MPC Music Hall. The concert begins at 7:30 p.m.

Led by **Dave Dally**, the orchestra will play

Camille Saint-Saens' *Symphony #1* and *Morceau de Concert*, as well as Ralph Vaughan Williams's "The Wasps."

Tickets are \$10 for general admission and \$5 for students. The venue is located at 980 Fremont St.

## See the Old Blind Dogs

A Scottish ensemble that blends Celtic

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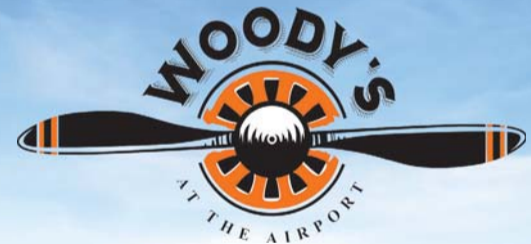
At the Golden State Theater this week is Salinas-born singer and guitarist Jackie Greene, who plays Tuesday at 8 p.m.

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music with other influences, **The Old Blind Dogs** take the stage Sunday at St. Mary's-by-the-Sea. The music starts at 3 p.m. The group's "incandescent instrumental arsenal of pipes, fiddle, whistles, bouzouki, guitar and percussion and their vibrant vocals combine the sounds of old Scotland with a fresh new edge," said **Jackie Pierce** of St. Mary's.

The church is located at 146 12th St. For tickets or more information, call (831) 224-3819.

■ **Money Band raises \$\$**

To raise funds for a worthy cause, **The Money Band** plays Wednesday at Hacienda Hay and Feed in Carmel Valley. Proceeds benefit Healing Partners of the Central Coast, a group that offers free therapy sessions to cancer patients and their caregivers. The event starts at 5 p.m.

Tickets are \$75. Hacienda Hay and Feed is located at 7180 Carmel Valley Road. For more details, visit [hpcchealingtouch.org](http://hpcchealingtouch.org).

■ **Live music May 5-11**

**American Legion Post 512** — singer and guitarist **Dan Frechette** (Saturday at 7 p.m.). Dolores and Eighth.

**Bernardus Lodge & Spa** in Carmel Valley — singer and multi-instrumentalist **Casey Wickstrom** (rock and blues, Saturday at noon), singer and guitarist **Kip Allert** (Sunday at noon). 415 W. Carmel Valley Road.

**Big Sur River Inn** — singer and guitarist **Rick Chelew** ('60s music, Saturday at 12:30 p.m.). 46800 Highway 1.

**Cibo** restaurant in Monterey — **The Dave Holodiloff Duo** (bluegrass and jazz, Sunday at 7 p.m.), singers **Lee Durley** and **Scotty Wright** (jazz, Tuesday at 7 p.m.), singer **Miranda Perl** and guitarist **Adam Astrup** (jazz and swing, Wednesday at 7 p.m.). 301 Alvarado St.

**Cuz's Sportsman's Club** in Seaside — **The Vic Silva Band** (rock, Saturday at 8:30 p.m.). 594 Broadway.

**Cypress Inn** — singer and pianist **Dino Vera** (jazz, blues and r&b, Friday at 7 p.m.), pianist **Gennady Loktionov** and singer **Debbie Davis** (cabaret, Saturday at 7 p.m.), **The Andrea Carter Trio** (jazz and blues, Sunday at 11

a.m.), singer **Lee Durley** and pianist **Joe Indence** (jazz, Thursday at 6 p.m.). Lincoln and Seventh.

**Dust Bowl Brewing Company** in Monterey — **The Dead Cassettes** (alt-rock, Thursday at 5 p.m.). 290 Figueroa St.

**Fernwood Resort** in Big Sur — **Sparrows Gate, The Derls** (Saturday at 10 p.m.). 47200 Winery 1.

**Folktale Winery** in Carmel Valley — **Two Rivers** with singer **Richard Bryant** and guitarist **Kyle Kovalik** (pop and rock, Friday at 4 p.m.), singer and guitarist **Kris Angelis** (Saturday at 2 p.m.), singer and guitarist **Adrea Castiano** (Sunday at 2 p.m.). 8940 Carmel Valley Road.

**Gusto Pasta and Pizza** in Seaside — singer **Nina Hadzi-Antich** and guitarist **Brice Albert** (jazz, Tuesday at 5:30 p.m.). 1901 Fremont Blvd.

**The Henry Miller Library** in Big Sur — singer and guitarist **Frankie Cosmos** (Friday at 7 p.m.), **Pfeiffer Beach Hotel** (rock, Saturday at 2 p.m.), singer and guitarist **Tamino** (Tuesday at 6 p.m.). 48603 Highway 1.

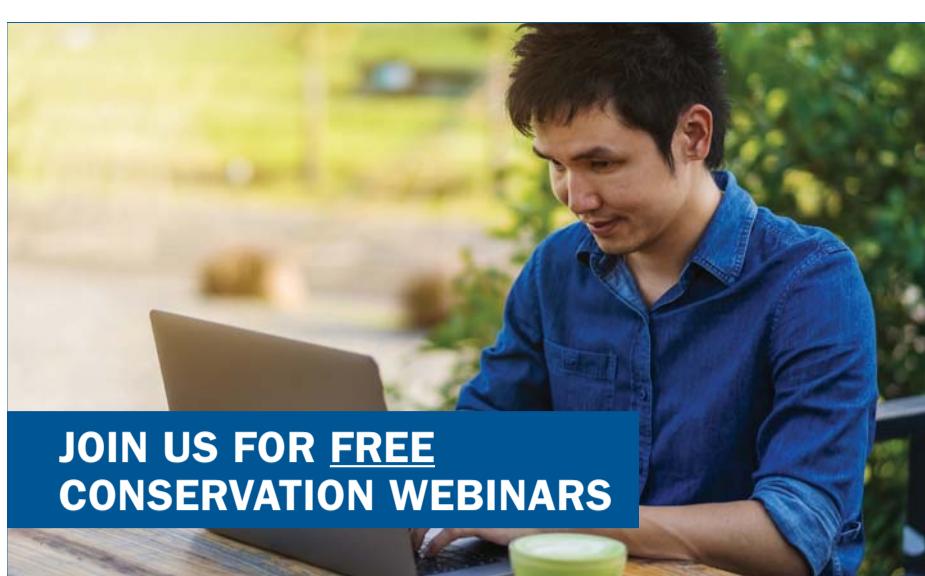
**Hyatt Carmel Highlands** — singer and pianist **Dino Vera** (jazz, blues and r&b, Saturday at 8 p.m. and Thursday at 7 p.m.). 120 Highlands Drive.

**The Inn at Spanish Bay** in Pebble Beach — **The Andy Weis Band** with pianist **Bill Spencer** and bassist **Pete Lips** (jazz, Friday at 7 p.m.), **The Andy Weis Band** with pianist **Gary Meek** and bass-

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Guitarist Sean McGill of the group Sensory Tribe, which will also be on stage this weekend during the Good Old Days in Pacific Grove.



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## PUBLIC NOTICES

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File No. 20230802  
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as:  
**Flavors of The Bay**, 1674 Luzern Street, Seaside, CA. 93955. County of Monterey.  
Registered Owner(s): Roberto Antonio Moore III, 1674 Luzern Street, Seaside, CA. 93955.  
This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on Not Applicable S/ Roberto Antonio Moore III  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on 04/24/2023  
**CARMEL PINE CONE**  
Publication Dates: April 28; May 5, 12, 19, 2023. (PC 435)

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File No. 20230806  
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as:  
**Woody's at Del Mesa, Woody's on Del Mesa**, 1500 Del Mesa, Carmel, CA. 93923, 200 Fred Kane Dr., Monterey, CA. 93940. County of Monterey.  
Registered Owner(s): Woody's At The Airport, 200 Fred Kane Dr., Monterey, CA. 93940.  
This business is conducted by a corporation. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on Not Applicable S/ Tomothy M. Wood  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on 04/24/2023  
**CARMEL PINE CONE**  
Publication Dates: April 28; May 5, 12, 19, 2023. (PC 437)

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File No. 20230687  
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **EN HASSE FINANCIAL SERVICES**, 210 Capitol St., Ste. 9, Salinas, CA 93901.  
Registered Owner(s): ANA CRISTINA BRAVO PEREZ, 608 N. Sanborn Rd., Apt. 10, Salinas, CA 93905.  
This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on May 31, 2022.  
**BY SIGNING, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT.** A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).  
S/Ana Bravo  
Date signed: April 6, 2023  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on April 6, 2023.  
NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).  
Publication Dates: May 5, 12, 19, 26, 2023 (PC 503)

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File No. 20230728  
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **GRANJA GRANITO DE ORO**, 1820 Highway 1, Moss Landing, CA 95039.  
Mailing address: 1550 Fenoe Rd. #32, Gonzales, CA 93926.  
Registered Owner(s): LIBERIO CANSECO OCHOA, 550 Fenoe Rd. #32, Gonzales, CA 93926.  
This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or

names listed above on N/A.  
**BY SIGNING, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT.** A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).  
S/Liberio Canseco Ochoa  
Date signed: March 13, 2023  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on March 13, 2023.  
NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).  
Publication Dates: May 5, 12, 19, 26, 2023 (PC 504)

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File No. 20230821  
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **THE ROOF COMPANY**, 873 Santa Barbara, Soledad, CA 93960.  
Mailing address: P.O. Box 53, Chualar, CA 93925.  
Registered Owner(s): SALVADOR ROGER JOSE ALEGRE, 873 Santa Barbara, Soledad, CA 93960.  
This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A.  
**BY SIGNING, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT.** A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).  
S/Salvador Roger Jose Alegre  
Date signed: April 26, 2023  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on April 26, 2023.  
NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).  
Publication Dates: May 5, 12, 19, 26, 2023 (PC 505)

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File No. 20230839  
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **GALARZA JEWELRY & ACCESSORIES**, 984 Acosta Plaza, Salinas, CA 93905.  
Registered Owner(s): JUAN GABRIEL GALARZA ESCOTO, 1540 Spoleto St., Salinas, CA 93905.  
This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Jan 1, 2023.  
**BY SIGNING, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT.** A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).  
S/Juan Gabriel Galarza Escoto  
Date signed: April 28, 2023  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on April 28, 2023.  
NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of

five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).  
Publication Dates: May 5, 12, 19, 26, 2023 (PC 506)

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File No. 20230745  
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **ALL AMERICAN OVERHEAD DOOR**, 1270 Okeefe Court, Gilroy, CA 95020.  
Registered Owner(s): ABEL ALVAREZ, 1270 Okeefe Court, Gilroy, CA 95020.  
VERONICA HERNANDEZ, 1270 Okeefe Court, Gilroy, CA 95020.  
This business is conducted by a married couple.  
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Nov. 20, 2002.  
**BY SIGNING, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT.** A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).  
S/Abel Alvarez

**SUMMONS**  
(Citation Judicial)  
CASE NUMBER: 21CV000432  
**NOTICE TO DEFENDANT:**  
(Aviso al demandado)  
TROY D. LAMB  
**YOU ARE BEING SUED BY PLAINTIFF:**  
(Lo esta demandando el demandante)  
WESTLAKE SERVICES, LLC dba WESTLAKE FINANCIAL SERVICES

**NOTICE:** You have been sued. The court may decide against you without your being heard unless you respond within 30 days. Read the information below.  
You have 30 CALENDAR DAYS after this summons and legal papers are served on you to file a written response at this court and have a copy served on the plaintiff. A letter or phone call will not protect you. Your written response must be in proper legal form if you want the court to hear your case. There may be a court form that you can use for your response. You can find these court forms and more information at the California Courts Online Self-Help Center ([www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp](http://www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp)), your county law library, or the courthouse nearest you. If you cannot pay the filing fee, ask the court clerk for a fee waiver form. If you do not file your response on time, you may lose the case by default, and your wages, money and property may be taken without further warning from the court.  
There are other legal requirements. You may want to call an attorney right away. If you do not know an attorney, you may call an attorney referral service. If you cannot afford an attorney, you may be eligible for free legal services from a nonprofit legal services program. You can locate these nonprofit groups at the California Legal Services Web site ([www.lawhelpcalifornia.org](http://www.lawhelpcalifornia.org)), the California Courts Online Self-Help Center ([www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp](http://www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp)), or by contacting your local court or county bar association. **NOTE:** The court has a statutory lien for waived fees and costs on any settlement or arbitration award of \$10,000 or more in a civil case. The court's lien must be paid before the court will dismiss the case. **¡AVISO!** Lo han demandado. Si no responde dentro de 30 días, la corte puede decidir en su contra sin escuchar su versión. Lea la información a continuación.  
Tiene 30 DÍAS DE CALENDARIO después de que le entreguen esta citación y papeles legales para presentar una respuesta por escrito en esta corte y hacer que se entregue una copia

Date signed: April 14, 2023  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on April 14, 2023.  
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Publication Dates: May 5, 12, 19, 26, 2023 (PC 507)

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File No. 20230862  
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **SUNSHINE REALTY, 11 Maple Street, Suite C, Salinas, CA 93901.**  
Registered Owner(s): ZODEIVA LEMUS, 612 Park Street, Salinas, CA 93901.  
This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on May 1, 2023.  
**BY SIGNING, I DECLARE THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT.** A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code the registrant knows

to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).  
S/Zodeiva Lemus  
Date signed: May 2, 2023  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on May 2, 2023.  
NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).  
Publication Dates: April 21, 28; May 5, 2023 (PC421)

T.S. No.: 20-4681 Loan No.: \*\*8936\*8936 APN: 011-313-014-000  
**NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE**  
YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 4/5/2006. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. A public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash, cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, or savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state will be held by the duly appointed trustee as shown below, of all right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by the trustee in the hereinafter described property under and pursuant to a Deed of Trust described below.  
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# LIVE

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ist **Dan Robbins** (jazz, Saturday at 7 p.m.), pianist **Gary Meek**, bassist **Steve Uccello** and drummer **Skylar Campbell** (jazz, Saturday at 7 p.m.). 2700 17 Mile Drive.

**La Playa Hotel — The David Morwood Band** (jazz, Friday and Saturday at 6 p.m., Sunday at 4 p.m.). Bud's Bar, Camino Real and Eighth.

**The Links Club — The Dead Cassettes** (alt-rock, Friday at 7 p.m.) and Singer-Songwriter Showcase (Tuesday at 7 p.m.). Carmel Plaza, Mission and Ocean.

**The Lodge at Pebble Beach — singer and guitarist Dan Cortes** (Friday at 6 p.m.), singer and guitarist **Adrea Castiano** (Saturday at 6 p.m.). In the Terrace Lounge at 1700 17 Mile Drive.

**Lucy's on Lighthouse** in Pacific Grove — singer and guitarist **Lisa Long** (Sunday at 2 p.m.). 1120 Lighthouse Ave.

**Massa Tasting Room** in Carmel Valley — singer and guitarist **Rick Chelew** ('60s folk, Sunday at noon). 69 W. Carmel Valley Road.

**Midici Pizza** in Monterey — singer **Janice Perl**, guitarist **Bruce Forman** and saxophonist **Gary Meek** (jazz Sunday at 5 p.m.), saxophonist **Paul Contos**, guitarist **Adam Astrup**, bassist **Zach Westfall** and drummer **Pat Tregenza**. 467 Alvarado St.

**Mission Ranch — singer and pianist Maddalaine Edstrom** (jazz, Friday through Sunday at 5 p.m.) and pianist **Gennady Loktionov** (jazz, Monday through Thursday at 5 p.m.). 26270 Dolores St.

**The Monarch Pub** in Pacific Grove — **The Katherine Lavin Band** (pop and rock, Friday at 7 p.m.). 617 Lighthouse Ave.

**Monterey Plaza Hotel & Spa — pianist Steve Mann** (jazz, Friday at 6 p.m.), singer and pianist **Scott Brown** (jazz and pop, Saturday at 6 p.m.), keyboardist **Peter Cor** (jazz, Sunday at 6 p.m.), guitarist **John Sherry** (blues, folk and rock, Monday at 6:30 p.m.). 400 Cannery Row.

**Phill's Barber Shop** in Pacific Grove — **PG-13** (rock, Friday at 7 p.m.). 610 Lighthouse Ave.

**Puma Road at Portola Plaza** in Monterey — **Songbird Meadow** (pop, blues and Latin, Friday at 5 p.m.), singer and guitarist **Matt Masih** (Saturday at 5 p.m.), gui-

tarist **Peter Martin** and bassist **Zach Westfall** (jazz, Sunday at 5 p.m.). 281 Alvarado St.

**The Sardine Factory** in Monterey — singer and multi-instrumentalist **David Conley** (pop and rock, Friday and Saturday, Tuesday through Thursday at 7:30 p.m.). 701 Wave St.

**Salty Seal Pub** in Monterey — **Vinyl Revival** (pop and rock, Friday at 8 p.m.), **The Chuck Brewer Band** (rock and blues, Saturday at 8 p.m.), singer and guitarist **Dan Frechette** (Thursday at 6 p.m.). 653 Cannery Row.

**Sly McFly's** in Monterey — **Everyday People** ("classic Latin rock with an old school twist," Friday at 9 p.m.)

**The 831 All-Star Band** (Latin rock, old school and r&b, Saturday at 9 p.m.), **The Stingrays** (rock, Sunday at 9 p.m.), **The Long Distance Flyers** (classic rock, Monday at 9 p.m.), **5 Star** (rock and soul, Wednesday at 9 p.m.), **Jon Griffin & The Lightfighters** (rock, Thursday at 9 p.m.). 700 Cannery Row.

**Trailside Cafe** in Carmel Valley — **Boscoe's Brood** (rock, Saturday at 6 p.m.). 3 Del Fino Place.

**Wild Fish** restaurant in Pacific Grove — **The Lighthouse Jazz Quartet** with pianist **Bob Phillips**, saxophonist **Paul Contos**, bassist **Zach Westfall** and drummer **Mike Shannon** (Friday, and Saturday at 6:30 p.m.). 545 Lighthouse Ave.

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# MORE SPORTS

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a hothead gets hot. Jim is the Iceman."

The pleasant surprise, said the coach, has been senior Brody Mendez — a first-year lacrosse player with high energy — who plays multiple positions.

"He's our Swiss Army knife," Mayfield said. "He came out for the team for fun and turned into a guy who takes faceoffs, plays tremendous defense, and brings the fire when we need energy.

"I'd say our program is in a bit of a rebuild phase," he said. "Our freshman class was basically nonexistent this year, but I'm told the next two classes that are coming up are pretty good. Our top-end talent is almost all returning — our core this year is sophomores and juniors — and we also should have enough depth next year to be very competitive."

## PCAL swim finale

Stevenson's boys became the first in history to win the PCAL Gabilan Division swimming and diving championships in both the varsity and junior varsity titles.

The Pirates also qualified 12 for the CCS Championships, which begin with prelims Friday at 2 p.m. and concludes Saturday at 1:30 p.m. with finals at San Benito High School in Hollister.

Carmel boys were a distant second among six Gabilan teams, and the Padres were narrowly edged by Monterey for the girls team crown.

Individual champions at the PCAL Gabilan boys meet were won by Stevenson in the 200-yard medley relay (Matt Choi, Andy Wu, Chris Yang, Eduardo Granados) and the 400 freestyle relay (Justin Guo, Granados, Will Maiorana, Andy Wu) and by Carmel in the 200 freestyle relay (Cameron Rodgers, Landon Onitsuka, David Cortez, Ryan Lin).

Second-place awards in the boys division were garnered by Stevenson's 200 freestyle relay (Choi, Maiorana, Yang, Guo), and Carmel's 400 freestyle relay (Rodgers, Cortez, Nathan Chin, Lin).

In the Gabilan girls meet, Carmel was runner-up in the 200 medley relay (Lillian Paul, Macie Hill, Layla Viel, Marina Hobson), and the 200 freestyle relay (Hill, Viel, Magnolia Woodruff Lyons, Hobson).

Santa Catalina placed third in the 200 medley relay (Eleanor Song, Riley Barringer, Georgia Morrison, Elle Edwards) and the 400 freestyle relay (Song, Elle Edwards, Vivian Edwards, Barringer).

Stevenson girls were third in the 200 freestyle relay (Emmerson Ferriera, Sienna Cimoli, Jacquelynn Powers, Sofia Bozzo).

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# CALENDAR



**May 6 to 14 – Mother's Day Vase & Planter Exhibition:** Peninsula Potters have been working to make a great selection of vibrant new ceramic work. Please come by and find the perfect gift for mom! Open noon to 4 p.m. daily, 2078 Sunset Drive in the Russell Service Center, Pacific Grove.

**May 7 – Nancy J. Jones Housing Insecurities Endowment Fund Kick-Off**, 4 to 6 p.m. at Seccombe Hall, lower level of All Saints', Dolores and Ninth, Carmel. Open to the public. Interfaith Outreach of Carmel and Joining Hands Benefit Shop celebrate their founder with a presentation and stories of their growth. [ifaithcarmel.org](http://ifaithcarmel.org)

**May 7 – Tor House Foundation's Annual Garden Party**, 2-5 p.m. at 26304 Ocean View Avenue, Carmel, 93923. \$25. Visit the home of poet Robinson Jeffers. Climb Hawk Tower. Enjoy delectables in the garden. Listen to bagpipes, piano, fiddle. Photograph to your heart's content. Masks required indoors. Visit: [torhouse.org](http://torhouse.org).

**May 7 – Scottish Supergroup Old Blind Dogs**, 3 p.m. at St. Mary's by-the-Sea Episcopal Church, Pacific Grove. Advance tickets \$30, door \$35. Purchase at [www.celticsociety.org](http://www.celticsociety.org), kids' prices available. For info call or text (831) 224-3819.

**May 13 – Congregation Beth Israel presents the award-winning documentary "We Are All In This Together" by Pacific Grove native and cyclist Daniel Troia**, who will stay for a Q&A after the 7 p.m. screening. His film movingly embraces human connection, proving that more unites us than separates us, and allows us to share some of Daniel's amazing experiences on the road. Suggested donation: \$10. All proceeds to Gathering for Women. CBI is at 5716 Carmel Valley Road – parking is free.



**May 15 – Although long deceased, the still legendary and magnificent Sarah Bernhardt** comes to life at 2 p.m. in a staged reading at the Carmel Woman's Club, Ninth and San Carlos, Carmel. The internationally famed French actress who graced the stages of Europe and the Americas will be portrayed by Teresa Del Piero. Local performer Fred Bologna will be the added voice in the Carol Marquardt production.

A coffee/tea reception follows the program. Members free; guests \$10. (831) 624-2866; or (831) 594-6200

**May 15 – Mother's Day Buffet and Festivities**, 10 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at Monterey Plaza Hotel & Spa. \$110 adults, \$49 children ages 6-13, free for children under 6. Celebrate those special mothers in your life while enjoying stunning Monterey Bay views, a beautiful buffet, and fun family friendly activities. To learn more: <https://montereyplazahotel.com/dining/mothers-day-buffet>.

**May 18 – Bridging Animals to People Class**, 9 a.m. to 6 pm. at the Center for Spiritual Awakening, 522 Central Ave., Pacific Grove. This in-person day-long class provides solid tools to help clear, balance and increase the energetic frequency of the client, increasing personal healing and enhancing wellness. Text or call (831) 402-5330 or register at [HealingTouchforAnimals.com](http://HealingTouchforAnimals.com)



**May 19-21 – Healing Touch for Animals Level 1 Class.** This class is for anyone who is interested in improving the lives of their animals through energy therapy. Class locations are the Center for Spiritual Awakening (522 Central Avenue, Pacific Grove, 19-20 May) and Sea Star Horse Sanctuary (53 Riley Ranch Road, Carmel - 21 May). Friday class: 2-6 p.m.; 20-21 May: 9 a.m. – 6 p.m. Text or call (831) 402-5330 or register at [HealingTouchforAnimals.com](http://HealingTouchforAnimals.com)



**May 21 – San Francisco Scottish Fiddlers starring Music Director Alasdair Fraser**, with special guests, 3 p.m. at Carmel High School Center for the Performing Arts. Kids 12 and under free, special prices for seniors and students. \$32 general admission. Tickets at [www.sffiddlers.org](http://www.sffiddlers.org)

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# The Carmel Pine Cone

# Real Estate



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## Real Estate

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### Carmel

**Junipero, 4 NW of Vista Avenue — \$2,200,000**

Danielle Desiderio and Olta Gremi to David and

Christie Sander

APN: 010-111-003

**24681 Guadalupe Street — \$2,850,000**

Timothy Hurley and Irene Reed to Thomas and

Andrea Hedrick

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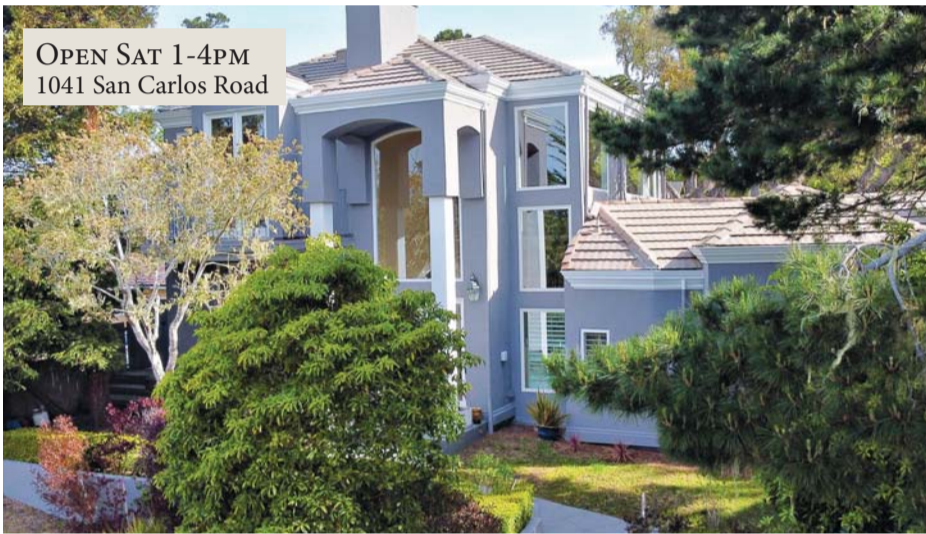


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**26285 Valley View Avenue — \$7,500,000**

Bonnie Burdett to Jorge and Leticia Robles  
APN: 009-403-022

## Highway 68

**23799 Monterey-Salinas Highway unit 6 — \$659,000**

Linell McCray and Lute Trust to Leslie Wyman  
APN: 161-542-006

**1360 Josselyn Canyon Road unit 26 — \$900,000**

Kathleen Stacey to Lee Ann Blake



26285 Valley View Avenue, Carmel — \$7,500,000

APN: 101-241-050

**11975 Saddle Road — \$2,510,000**

Kenneth Wilson and Angela Spieles to Mela Ventures Trust  
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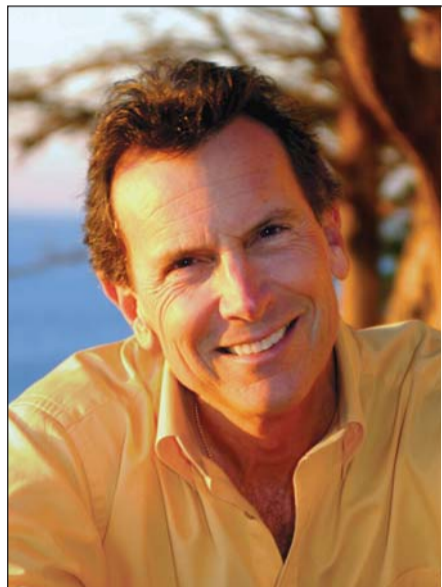


1063 Mission Road, Pebble Beach — \$4,050,000

**10300 Saddle Road — \$2,850,000**

Thuy Nguyen and Jack Pacheco to Kenneth Mary Zagzebski  
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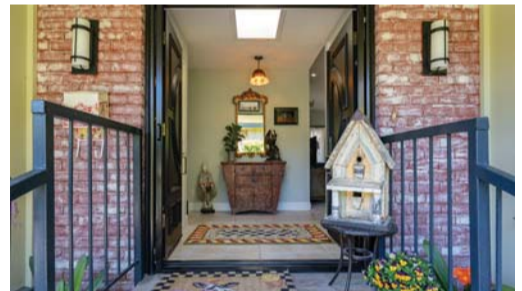
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# Major changes to the Friends of the Harrison Memorial Library book sale

“WE ARE in a state of flux,” said Anne Rurka, the wizard of odds who unfailingly beats the uncertainties involved in putting on an annual book sale to benefit the Carmel Public Library.

Anne told me that they were not sure they would have a venue for the sale when the state closed down the Carmel Youth Center because it didn't have a license for after-school childcare.

with a presale for members on July 13 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. The collection site behind Sunset Center will be accepting donations until about the middle of June.

This will be the last year for a big annual sale as the library friends transition to year-round sales. “It’s a simple matter of attrition,” Anne said. “Our spirited group of volunteers is (ahem) maturing.”

### It takes hard work

Yes, it takes hard work to collect, sort, pack and move 300 to 400 boxes of books. The volunteers make sure the books are in saleable condition. Anne assured me that they don't accept any moldy or mildewed books. All the audio books, CDs and DVDs are in playable condition.

“Readers Digest condensed books make good door-stops or help to prop up a window with a broken sash cord, so you won't find any here. We also do not display books that have been heavily written in, or with pages and pages of highlighting,” she said.

The Friends of Harrison Memorial Library will continue to sell books every week at the Carmel Farmer's Market and maintain a sale cart at the library. There are also plans to install several shelves in the Park Branch foyer where people can purchase books on the honor system.



(From left) Friends of Harrison Memorial Library volunteers Barbara Darrah, Marilee Cominos and Anne Rurka at the book sale collection site behind Sunset Center.

The smaller book sale arrangement may not bring in as much as the large annual sale, but it costs \$1,500 to \$2,000 to move the books from the collection site behind Sunset Center to the Youth Center.

“We would save that right off the top,” Anne said.

The plan is to continue to receive books at the collection center every Tuesday, then have a sale at the center every Friday. The details will be forthcoming via the library website and the Carmel Chamber of Commerce website.

### Peer pressure

As necessary as the changes are, it is difficult to launch them after 50 years of having an annual sale. The event was started in 1973 by Harriet Harrell, who worked the sales until she was 97 years old. Past revenues have accounted for as much as 20 percent of the library's annual book budget.

“I got involved when I moved next door to Harriet in Carmel,” Anne said. “There was no way of not volunteering.”

Since its inception, the Friends of the Library have raised almost a half-million dollars. The Harrison Memorial Library has been an important resource to Carmel since 1906, when the Carmel Free Library Association began lending books from a little redwood building. For a fee of \$1 per year, people could borrow any one of 500 books from the association's “reading room,” which was heated by a wood-burning stove.

The current main library building was designed by the renowned California architect Bernard Maybeck and

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## Scenic Views

By JERRY GERVASE

“But it's OK because the book sale has nothing to do with the youth center programs that require licensing,” she said.

(Personal aside: Why can't the Carmel Youth Center remain open while it applies for a license? The center has been assured that a license would be approved quickly. Oh right! That would make sense.)

The 2023 book sale will take place earlier than usual — Friday and Saturday, July 14-15, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.,

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# POLICE LOG

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## TUESDAY, APRIL 18

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Ammo surrender by a Guadalupe Street resident.

**Pacific Grove:** Social services sent the police department a report of possible elder abuse on Lighthouse Avenue. Information only.

**Pacific Grove:** At about 1033 hours, officer was dispatched to a fall on public property at Gibson and Fountain. This report is for documentation only.

**Pacific Grove:** A subject at S.F.B. Morse Drive at Holman Highway was issued a citation for multiple violations, and the subject's vehicle was towed.

**Carmel Valley:** A personal check was stolen from a Country Club Drive resident

and fraudulently cashed.

**Carmel area:** Deputies responded to a call for service regarding a possible vandalism on Rio Road.

**Pebble Beach:** Report of alleged financial abuse on Del Ciervo Road.

**Carmel area:** Deputies responded to a vandalism on Highway 1.

## WEDNESDAY, APRIL 19

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Fall on city property at Monte Verde and Seventh resulting in injury.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Counter report for hit-and-run at San Carlos and Seventh, with no suspect information.

**Pacific Grove:** Officers were dispatched after report of criminal threats on Prescott Lane.

**Pacific Grove:** A weighted belt was found and turned in to the police department.

**Pacific Grove:** Report of a stolen catalyt-

ic converter from a vehicle on Buena Vista Avenue.

**Carmel Valley:** Burglary to a residential garage and shed on Woodside Drive.

**Carmel area:** Deputies conducted a welfare check on a student at Carmel High School.

**Carmel Valley:** Report of alleged neglect of a resident of Aliso Road.

**Carmel Valley:** Report of alleged financial exploitation at a residence on Calle de la Ventana.

**Big Sur:** Subject on Coast Road reported an incident of rape.

**Carmel Valley:** Female reported items taken from her vehicle on West Carmel Valley Road.

**Carmel Valley:** Report of alleged financial exploitation on Calle de la Ventana.

## THURSDAY, APRIL 20

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Traffic stop at Val-

ley Way and Highway 1 at 0137 hours resulted in a 39-year-old female Fresno resident being arrested for several narcotics and property crimes, including felony identity theft, misdemeanor mail theft and having false tabs. She was booked into Monterey County Jail on \$15,000 bail.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Woman reported losing her driver's license while traveling to a bakery.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Unknown circumstances at Dolores and Seventh regarding a missing painting.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Subject advised Carmel PD of a vehicle repossession.

**Carmel-by-the-Sea:** Subject warned about trespassing at the entire shared property of two businesses at Junipero and Sixth.

**Pacific Grove:** 33-year-old male on Ransford Circle cited and released on a Monterey County warrant for failure to appear in court.

**Pacific Grove:** Vehicle on Laurel Avenue tampered with.

# GERVASE

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financed with a bequest from Ella Reid Harrison as a memorial to her husband, California Supreme Court Justice Ralph Chandler Harrison. The Harrison Memorial Library opened in 1928. Services were expanded with the addition of its Park Branch facility in 1989.

As a reminder, this year's sale is a month earlier than usual. So, if you have books to donate get them over to the collection center on Tuesdays from 10 a.m. to noon. You have until the middle of June to donate books to benefit our library. Let's make the 50th and last big sale the most successful one ever.

### Truly inspiring

I want to take a moment to express my gratitude to all the Friends of the Library volunteers for all they do. Their selfless dedication to making our community a better place is truly inspiring, and I can't thank them enough for their hard work and generosity.

Here are the names of the wonderful women who give so much time and effort to benefit our outstanding library: Anne Rurka, Barbara Darrah, Marilee Cominos, Carol Dobberpuhl, Susan Murphy, Carolyn Smith, Joyce Frasca, Erin Stiver, Phyllis Nelson, Susan Hovermale, Gail Hudspeth, Joan Wynar, Judy Thodos, Donna Pribble, Ellen Weston and Maureen Pardue.

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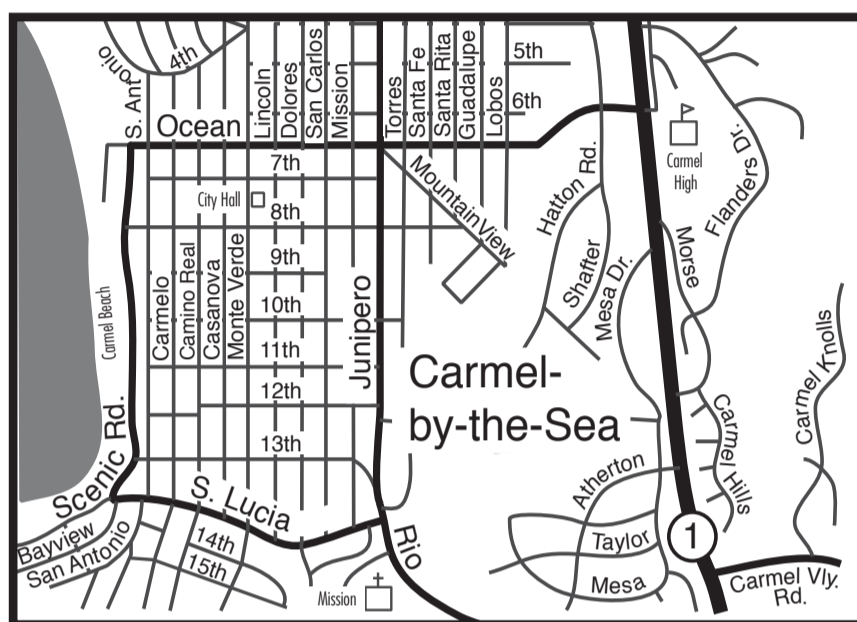
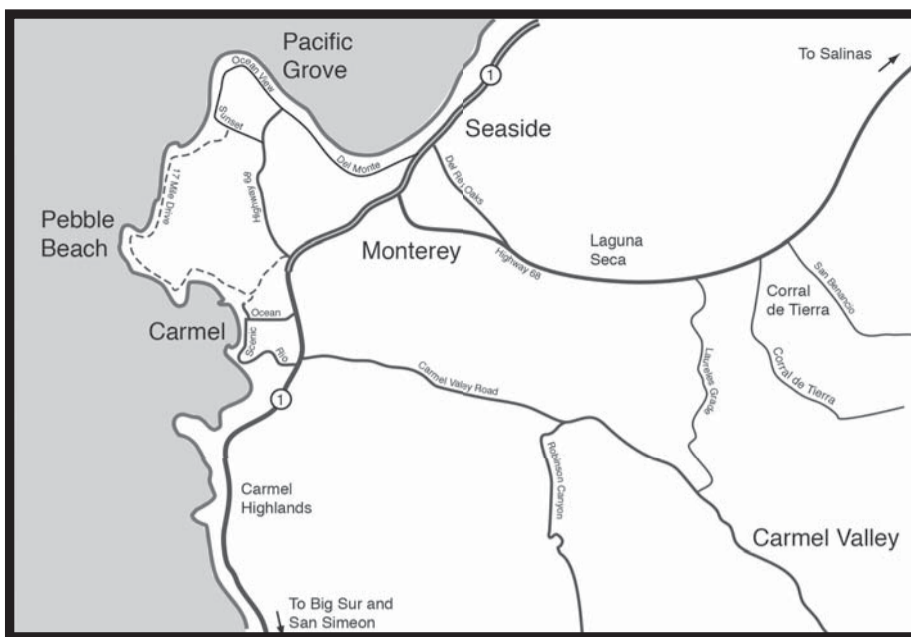
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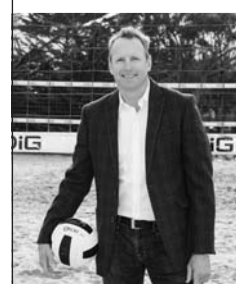
to an enjoyable selection of finishes, features and amenities. Offering three well-separated bedroom suites with beamed ceilings, stylish bathrooms and views, there is an abundance of living space and walls of windows on all sides. The oversized parcel has gardens and patios and a view terrace for blue water and sunset views, with the beach just a few short steps away.

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# Winter deluge stalls market but home values remain unyielding

Affected by numerous external drivers, the Monterey Peninsula real estate market experienced a 5.5% reduction in transactions from Q4 of 2022 and a 36% reduction from the same quarter last year. This means the market performed comparably to national figures, which is impressive considering the region experienced extremely difficult weather during much of the quarter. The unremitting storms in Q1 and the chaos they caused made it very difficult to even show property. Combined with macro-economic pressures across the real estate market, high interest rates and geopolitical uncertainty, buyers transacted at very low levels compared to previous quarters. Looking even closer, these factors specifically affected the number of high-priced discre-



tionary sales throughout Carmel and Pebble Beach, dropping total dollar volume and average sales price much more than usual. On a positive note, with extremely tight inventory, values have held up well across the Peninsula and continue to outperform the national market.

Across the markets we track on the Peninsula, average sales price held in strong, down just over 10% quarter over quarter and down 22% against Q1 2022. Total sales dollar volume in the quarter was 50% lower than Q1 2022. This percentage is skewed by eight homes selling over \$10M in Q1 of 2022 (compared to two in Q1 2023), with four of those coming in over \$25M. These six additional high-priced sales made up almost 40% of the total sales volume difference between Q1 2023 and Q1 2022.

We are beginning to see the typical rise in inventory levels that come with the late spring season. As of the end of March, the market as a whole has 17% more active listings than the same time last year. With summer weather on the way, banking and financial concerns subsiding and the potential for interest rate easing, we have already seen more homes

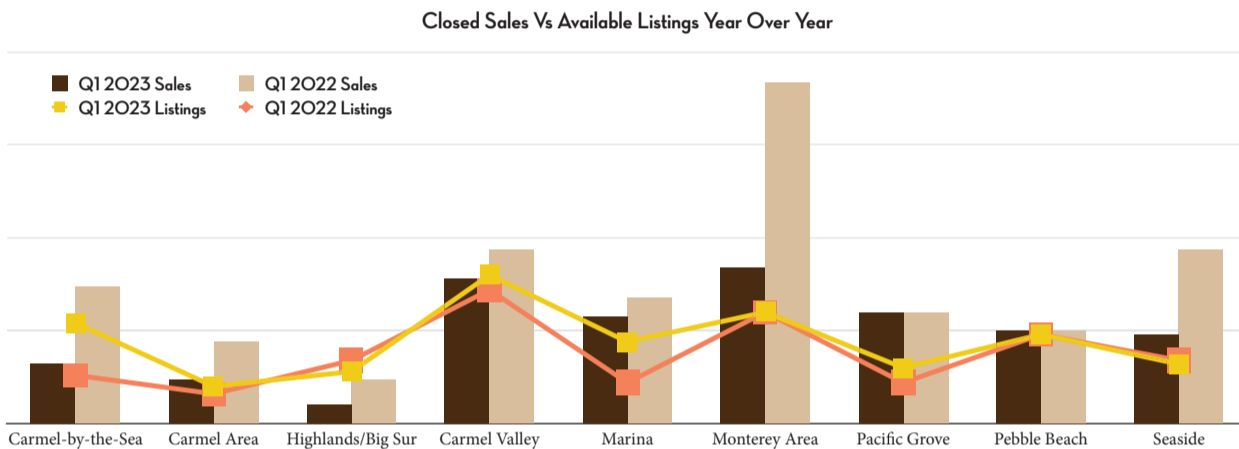
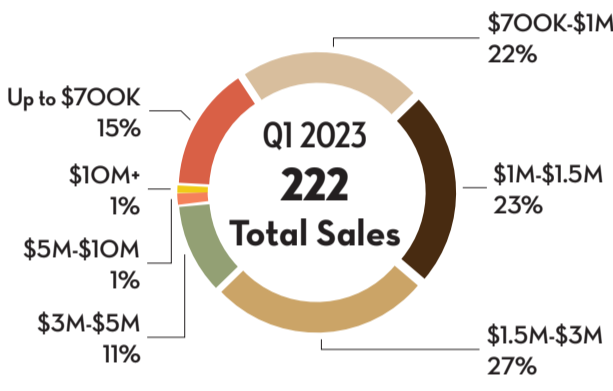
**PROPRIETARY MARKET RESEARCH**

**Fewer high-end sales skews sales volume**

- Q1 2023 only 2 sales over \$10M and none over \$25M, totaling \$23.6M
- Q1 2022 saw 8 sales over \$10M, 4 of which were over \$25M totaling \$149.4M in volume
- Average sales price and volume severely impacted without \$25M+ sales

come on the market and buyers start to return as well. We expect Q2 to outperform Q1 and hopefully build for a stronger second half of the year.

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	Sales by Segment							Total Volume Sold			Available Listings at End of Quarter		
	Up to \$700K	\$700K - \$1M	\$1M - \$1.5M	\$1.5M - \$3M	\$3M - \$5M	\$5M - \$10M	\$10M+	Q1 2023	Q4 2022	Q1 2022	Q1 2023	Q4 2022	Q1 2022
Carmel-by-the-Sea	0	0	1	5	9	1	0	\$52,628,026	\$87,668,000	\$120,128,575	27	19	13
Carmel Area (93923)	0	1	5	5	1	0	0	\$22,410,500	\$17,600,000	\$41,124,500	10	10	8
Carmel Highlands/Big Sur	0	0	0	3	2	0	0	\$14,600,000	\$14,350,000	\$69,700,000	14	17	17
Carmel Valley	8	6	10	15	0	0	0	\$53,747,877	\$63,501,750	\$85,676,838	40	47	36
Marina	5	17	7	0	0	0	0	\$25,020,700	\$36,159,819	\$28,484,979	22	21	11
Monterey Area	10	9	13	7	3	0	0	\$52,673,761	\$52,076,068	\$114,141,372	30	29	30
Pacific Grove	0	2	14	12	2	0	0	\$51,261,700	\$42,720,500	\$51,110,307	15	14	11
Pebble Beach	0	1	1	12	7	2	2	\$89,840,000	\$111,526,310	\$215,682,110	24	20	24
Seaside	10	13	1	0	0	0	0	\$17,587,500	\$25,702,241	\$36,913,888	16	24	17
<b>Totals</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>\$379,770,064</b>	<b>\$451,304,688</b>	<b>\$762,962,569</b>	<b>198</b>	<b>201</b>	<b>167</b>

	Median Sales Prices			Average Sales Prices			Days on Market			Number of Sales		
	Q1 2023	Q4 2022	Q1 2022	Q1 2023	Q4 2022	Q1 2022	Q1 2023	Q4 2022	Q1 2022	Q1 2023	Q4 2022	Q1 2022
Carmel-by-the-Sea	\$3,107,500	\$3,500,000	\$2,725,000	\$3,289,252	\$4,614,105	\$3,246,718	32	41	31	16	19	37
Carmel Area (93923)	\$1,494,250	\$1,625,000	\$1,600,000	\$1,867,542	\$1,760,000	\$1,869,295	54	59	20	12	10	22
Carmel Highlands/Big Sur	\$2,975,000	\$3,800,000	\$4,000,000	\$2,920,000	\$3,587,500	\$5,808,333	107	189	33	5	4	12
Carmel Valley	\$1,300,000	\$1,308,000	\$1,600,000	\$1,378,151	\$1,867,699	\$1,822,911	53	41	32	39	34	47
Marina	\$846,000	\$832,000	\$856,540	\$862,783	\$903,995	\$837,794	61	39	21	29	40	34
Monterey Area	\$1,205,000	\$1,002,500	\$1,038,500	\$1,254,137	\$1,132,088	\$1,240,667	24	35	23	42	46	92
Pacific Grove	\$1,482,500	\$1,150,000	\$1,600,000	\$1,708,723	\$1,424,017	\$1,703,677	54	37	32	30	30	30
Pebble Beach	\$2,500,000	\$2,622,500	\$3,745,000	\$3,593,600	\$5,069,378	\$8,627,284	34	60	45	25	22	25
Seaside	\$710,000	\$702,500	\$768,000	\$732,813	\$856,741	\$785,402	32	37	14	24	30	47
<b>Totals</b>										<b>222</b>	<b>235</b>	<b>346</b>

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	Ten-Year Median Sales Price										1-Year Change	10-Year Change
	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022		
Carmel-by-the-Sea	\$1,650,000	\$1,550,000	\$1,607,500	\$1,700,000	\$2,000,000	\$1,875,000	\$2,200,000	\$2,750,000	\$3,000,000	\$3,107,500	3.6%	88.3%
Carmel Area (93923)	\$1,025,000	\$869,000	\$1,065,000	\$1,050,000	\$1,297,500	\$1,225,000	\$1,450,000	\$1,550,000	\$1,700,000	\$1,494,250	-12.1%	45.8%
Carmel Highlands/Big Sur	\$2,200,000	\$1,857,500	\$1,685,000	\$1,937,500	\$1,597,500	\$1,775,000	\$2,645,000	\$2,375,000	\$3,709,000	\$2,975,000	-19.8%	35.2%
Carmel Valley	\$762,500	\$836,000	\$950,313	\$937,000	\$1,000,000	\$950,000	\$1,300,000	\$1,500,000	\$1,500,000	\$1,300,000	-13.3%	70.5%
Marina	\$417,500	\$442,500	\$490,000	\$537,200	\$599,000	\$639,000	\$675,000	\$792,000	\$849,000	\$846,000	-0.4%	102.6%
Monterey Area	\$595,000	\$610,250	\$656,500	\$722,500	\$772,000	\$740,000	\$850,000	\$930,000	\$1,050,000	\$1,205,000	14.8%	102.5%
Pacific Grove	\$700,000	\$780,000	\$800,000	\$886,500	\$889,750	\$958,000	\$980,000	\$1,300,000	\$1,390,000	\$1,482,500	6.7%	111.8%
Pebble Beach	\$1,420,000	\$1,378,750	\$1,525,000	\$1,575,000	\$1,557,500	\$1,767,950	\$2,100,000	\$2,795,000	\$3,150,000	\$2,500,000	-20.6%	76.1%
Seaside	\$356,000	\$405,000	\$445,000	\$495,000	\$525,000	\$540,000	\$593,500	\$700,000	\$757,000	\$710,000	-6.2%	99.4%

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PUBLIC NOTICES

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20230674
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: CYPRESS WINDOW CLEANING, 1865 Andrew Ct., Seaside, CA 93955.
Registered Owner(s): EDY AGUSTIN LOPEZ SANTOS, 1865 Andrew Ct., Seaside, CA 93955.
This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on April 5, 2023.
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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF MONTEREY

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME
Case No. 23CV001071
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner, JOSEPHINE DORA SILVA, filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:
A. Present name: JOSEPHINE DORA SILVA
Proposed name: JOSEPHINE DORA HIGUERA
THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20230502
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: PIECES OF HEAVEN, 3686 The Barryard, Carmel, CA 93923.
Mailing address: 5477 N. San Simone Dr., Fresno, CA 93722.
Registered Owner(s): PEGGY DIANNE WHITTED, 5417 N. San Simone Dr., Fresno, CA 93722.
This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on June 1, 1995.
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20230767
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: TULIP NAILS, 389 Salinas St., Salinas, CA 93901.
Registered Owner(s): LINH NGOC CHUNG, 1385 Lucretia Ave., Apt. 3204, San Jose, CA 95122.
DIEM THI HONG HUYNH, 1385 Lucretia Ave., Apt. 3204, San Jose, CA 95122.
This business is conducted by a general partnership.
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on April 18, 2023.
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20230464
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: S2 DISTRIBUTORS, 435 Harcourt Avenue, Seaside, CA 93955.
Mailing address: 1130 Fremont Blvd., Ste. 105, PMB 306, Seaside, CA 93955.
Registered Owner(s): SHIRLEY SOBERON SPALLETTA, 435 Harcourt Avenue, Seaside, CA 93955.
This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on September 1, 1999.
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20230713
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: Digital Collectible Group, 16082 Darcie Ln, Salinas, CA 93908, County of Monterey
Registered Owner(s): Digital Memorabilia Group LLC, 16082 Darcie Ln, Salinas, CA 93908
This business is conducted by a limited liability company
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on Not Applicable
S/ Phillip Roberson, Managing Member
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on 04/12/2023
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Publication Dates: April 28; May 5, 12, 19, 2023. (PC 432)

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF MONTEREY

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME
Case No. 23CV001037
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner, YESENIA MENDIETA, filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:
A. Present name: YESENIA MENDIETA
Proposed name: YESENIA OSORNIO MENDIETA
THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20230556
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: MONTEREY VISTA TERMITTE CONTROL, 9692 Arrowleaf Trail, Salinas, CA 93907.
Registered Owner(s): ANDREW WILLIAM OHARA 9692 Arrowleaf Trail, Salinas, CA 93907.
This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A.
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LIEN SALE AUCTION

Notice is hereby given that Pursuant to the California Self-Service Storage Facility Act, (B&P Code 21700 et. Seq.), the undersigned will sell at public auction; personal property including but not limited to furniture, clothing, tools, and/or other misc. items.
Auction to be held at 1:00 pm on May 5, 2023 at: www.selfstorageauction.com
The property is stored at: Marina U Store Self Storage, 475 Reservation Road, Marina, CA 93933
Name of Tenants: Crissy Lee Eaganan, Brenda Esmeralda Flores, Christi Jackson
4/21, 4/28, 5/5, 5/12/23
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Publication Dates: April 21, 28, 2023. (PC 419)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20230727
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: PIZZA HEAVEN, Mission St. & 8th Ave, Suite 6, Carmel, CA 93921.
Mailing address: 25605 Row Pl, Carmel, CA 93923.
County of Principal Place of Business: Monterey
Registered Owner(s): FADI ALNIMIRI
Name of Corporation or LLC as shown in the Articles of Inc./Org./Reg.: PIZZA HEAVEN INC., 25605 Row Pl, Carmel, CA 93923.
State of Inc./Org./Reg.: CA
This business is conducted by a corporation.
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A.
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20230750
Filing type: NEW FILING - with CHANGE(S) from the previous filing.
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: PEAK PERFORMANCE MASSAGE, 2511 Garden Rd., Bldg. C, Ste. 275, Monterey, CA 93940.
Registered Owner(s): CEDRIC ARTHUR JOHNSON, 13910 Monte Del Oro, Castroville, CA 95012.
This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on April 1, 2023.
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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF MONTEREY

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME
Case No. 23CV001237
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner, MARGARITA ZOLOTOVA, filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:
A. Present name: MARGARITA ZOLOTOVA
Proposed name: MARGARITA ZOLOTOVA FRANKLIN
THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20230679
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: GUTIERREZ OFFICES INSTALLER, 1654 Old Stage Rd., Salinas, CA 93906.
Registered Owner(s): ALBERTO GUTIERREZ, 1654 Old Stage Rd., Salinas, CA 93906.
This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Feb. 24, 2017.
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SUMMONS - FAMILY LAW CASE NUMBER: 23FL000218

NOTICE TO RESPONDENT:
LEOBARDO A. CASTRO
You are being sued.
PETITIONER'S NAME IS: CELESTINA GUZMAN MINA
You have 30 CALENDAR DAYS after this Summons and Petition are served on you to file a Response (form FL-120 or FL-123) at the court and have a copy served on the petitioner. A letter or phone call will not protect you.
If you do not file your Response on time, the court may make orders affecting your marriage or domestic partnership, your property, and custody of your children. You may be ordered to pay support and attorney fees and costs.
For legal advice, contact a lawyer immediately. Get help finding a lawyer at the California Courts Online Self-Help Center (www.court.ca.gov/selfhelp) at the California Legal Services website (www.lawhelpca.org), or by contacting your local county bar association.
NOTICE-RESTRAINING ORDERS ARE ON PAGE 2: These restraining orders are effective against both spouses or domestic partners until the petition is dismissed, a judgment is entered, or the court makes further orders. They are enforceable anywhere in California by any law enforcement officer who has received or seen a copy of them.
FEE WAIVER: If you cannot pay the filing fee, ask the clerk for a fee waiver form. The court may order you to pay back all or part of the fees and costs that the court waived for you or the other party.
The name and address of the court is: MONTEREY
1200 Aguajito Road
Monterey, CA 93940
The name, address and telephone number of the petitioner's attorney, or petitioner without an attorney, is: RONALD LANCE, 11 W. Laurel Dr. #215 Salinas, CA 93906

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20230520
Filing type: ORIGINAL FILING.
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: CHILL VIBES NUTRICION, 155 Kiddier St., Suite C, Soledad, CA 93960.
Mailing address: 608 N. Sanborn Rd., Apt. 1, Salinas, CA 93905.
Registered Owner(s): TERESA HOWE, 608 N. Sanborn Rd., Apt. 1, Salinas, CA 93905.
This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Feb. 14, 2023.
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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF MONTEREY

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME
Case No. 23CV001142
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner, DANIELLE BOUCHER on behalf of MCKENZIE MICHELLE CREMILDE OLIVEIRA, a minor, filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:
A. Present name: MCKENZIE MICHELLE CREMILDE OLIVEIRA
Proposed name: MCKENZIE MICHELLE CREMILDE OLIVEIRA-BOUCHER
THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20230653
The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: Digital Assit Group, 16082 Darcie Ln., Salinas, CA 93908, County of Monterey
Registered Owner(s): Digital Memorabilia Group LLC, 16082 Darcie Ln, Salinas, CA 93908
This business is conducted by a limited liability company
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on Not Applicable
S/ Phillip Roberson, Managing Member
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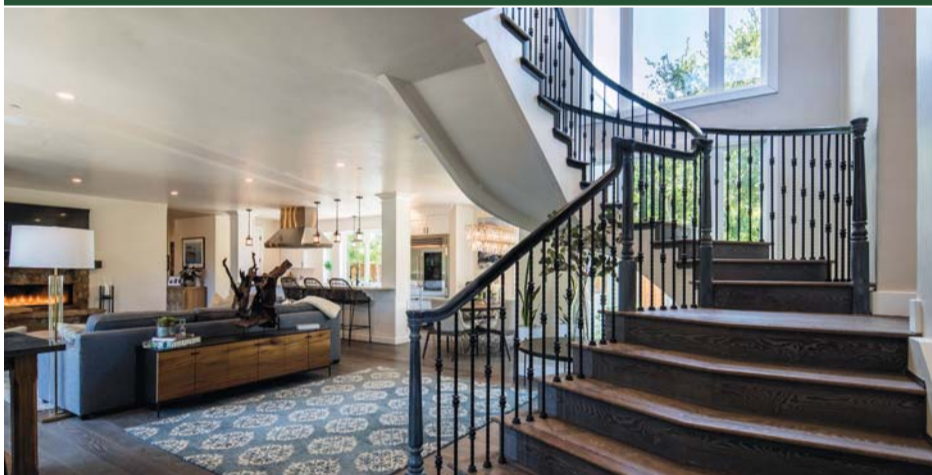
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